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## Mr Rockefeller is chosen as Vice-President by Mr Ford

President Ford yesterday nominated Mr Nelson Rockefeller, former Governor of New York, as Vice-President. The nomination will have to be approved by Congress, but little opposition is expected.

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Richard Brogan, London, Aug 20. Nelson Rockefeller was chosen this morning by President Ford. His name will be confirmed by Congress for confirmation of the Ford precedents, the process should take two months.

Mr Rockefeller said Mr Ford had given him the impression that he would stand for the party in the 1976 elections.



Mrs Betty Ford congratulating Mr Rockefeller after the President's announcement.

Mr Rockefeller then expressed his gratitude to the President and his determination to serve loyally as his Vice-President. At a press conference afterwards, he said that Mr Ford had already renewed his faith and hope in America and that the Administration had the capability to "overcome the hard realities of our times".

Reporters are not Congressmen, he said, and he refused to answer their questions on the subject. Mr Ford's finances received extensive public scrutiny during the procedure of his confirmation to the vice-presidency last year, and curiosity about the Rockefeller fortune will doubtless be satisfied soon.

## Government faces new Court Line questions

By Maurice Corina, Industrial Editor. The Government faces more questions over its handling of the Court Line rescue operation.

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## Turks find women's bodies in mass grave in Cypriot village

Aloa, Cyprus, Aug 20.—Turkish troops today began digging up bodies in what they believe is a mass grave of Turkish Cypriot villagers massacred by Greek irregulars after the Turkish invasion.

Major Aycan Eriz, the Turkish Army commander in this area just north of the east coast port of Famagusta, said that although initial digging just below the surface had so far revealed only five bodies, about 40 more were thought to be beneath them.

Most of these bodies, he said, were likely to be those of women, girls and young children who lived in the village of Aloa.

Major Eriz said that according to reports from survivors of the alleged attack by Eoka B irregulars, the women and young girls were repeatedly raped before being killed by two men and a woman clutching two children in her arms.

## Government to nationalize ports and set up control authority

Mr Vielvoxe, London, Aug 20. The Government is to set up a nationalized British Transport Docks Board, and British Rail Docks.

The chief candidates for nationalization will be Manchester docks, where the local council has a big holding in the private operating company; Liverpool, where the former public trust has been reorganized as a private operation, and Felixstowe docks.

Mr Mulley's proposals differ significantly from an abortive reorganization scheme put forward by Labour in 1970 which would have taken control of ports handling over five million tons of cargo a year.

## Aircraft carrying the Queen involved in incident with four fighters

By Arthur Reed, Air Correspondent. An aircraft carrying the Queen to resume her tour of the Pacific, which had been interrupted in February by the general election, was involved in an incident with four fighters over Germany, it was disclosed yesterday.

No evasive action was taken by the pilot of the British Airways Super VC10, and the captain did not enter an air-miss report, which would have indicated that there had been a near miss.

According to British Airways, the VC10 was flying at 33,000 ft between London and Dubai, where it was due to refuel on its way to Bali.

many, said last night that the Phantoms involved were on a routine training flight.

that after investigation, the West German Air Force found that at no time were air safety regulations violated.

## Jungle survival training for young ape from Europe

From Our Correspondent, Kuala Lumpur, Aug 20. A young orang-utan has been returned in Borneo from West Germany to be trained in the art of jungle survival.

The centre trains orang-utans kept in captivity to fend for themselves in the jungle.

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## Shares rise as prices steady in stock market

Shares were steadier on the stock market yesterday, closing the day in a broadly flat position.

## Provisional IRA threat to shoot power workers plunges Newry into darkness

From Robert Fisk, Belfast. A Provisional IRA threat to the lives of power workers in the Newry area yesterday blacked out the border town in Co. Down.

relit and control of power returned to the electricity board, power workers will be regarded as legitimate targets.

## Police hunt after baby is snatched

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## Fire in France

Aug 20.—A crowd on a 60,000-volt electric line, fell blazing to the ground and started a forest fire in central France, officials said.—Agence France-

## Wall Street steadier

Wall Street steadier in adding oil shares recovery of their losses. Stocks and insurance shares edged to regain confidence.

## Business News

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HOME NEWS

18,000 Court Line holidaymakers flown back to Britain

By Diana Geddes Mrs Anne Cole, managing director of Holiday and Sports Travel Ltd, of Nottingham, said yesterday that she was prepared to dofy the courts if they rule that the money should go to the liquidators... Mr Sidney Perez, former chief executive of Horizon, who has been heading the operation, said yesterday that it had been going "extremely well, bearing in mind the size of the problem"...

UVF hopes rise for W Belfast election

From Robert Fisk Belfast The Ulster Volunteer Force, the Protestant private army which was illegal until Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, lifted the ban on it earlier this year, may be the only "loyalist" group to offer a candidate in the Belfast, West, constituency in the next general election...



Children enjoying a day out riding their ponies in Epping Forest yesterday.

Council to shoot bolt of runaway stable

Caradon District Council has told Mr Harold Orman to pull down the stable he has built in Pensilva, near Liskeard, Cornwall, because the authority's planning permission... Although Mr Orman moved in a piebald pony and covered the floor of the building with hay, it remains a smart modern building with lawns, decorative walls and an ornamental pool in the garden...

Hammersmith ban on all pay-bed services

By a Staff Reporter Six non-medical unions at Hammersmith Hospital, London, decided yesterday to withdraw all services to private patients after being out-maneuvred in their attempt to "freeze out" only those patients being treated by part-time consultants...

Government printers may cause shutdown

By Raymond Permao Labour Staff The seven-week strike at the Stationery Office, which has stopped publication of government papers, including 34 Acts of Parliament, may spread to outside contractors, holding up the priorities of virtually all official paperwork, including forms and consular documents, pension books and savings stamps...

Meeting sought with minister about new paper

By Ronald Faux The general secretaries of the main printing trade unions are to seek a meeting with Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, to discuss the plight of redundant Beaverbrook workers in Glasgow who are planning to publish their own newspaper...

Beach fee for invalid chair angers minister

The case of an elderly cripple who was asked to pay for a holiday beach has upset Mr Howell, Minister of State for Recreation. Mr Howell said that the council at Torbay, Devon, which also charged him a 40p parking fee, has asked his own ministry, the Department of the Environment, for clarification of the council's authority to levy the charges...

Labour urges unions to replenish election fund

By Penny Symon Mr Callaghan, treasurer of the Labour Party, will take part today in what Transport House described as a "barrel-scraping exercise" with the trade unions... "This is a barrel-scraping exercise, and the amount the appeal brings in will depend entirely on how much the unions gave before and how much they have got left over this time," a party spokesman said...

"We are going to have difficulties if there is an October election, and if there is another one the following year, we really shall be in a mess, and we must hope for bigger and bigger sums," the spokesman added... The Conservative Party does not keep a separate election fund, so although it divulges its annual income from donations, it is under no obligation to say how much it receives for election purposes...

"We are hoping to raise £100,000, and I have high hopes that this will be possible," a spokesman said... The £35,000 for the appeal, being organized by Mr Clement Freud, MP, so we might be in a position of having two appeals going at once, and then we might have to merge them...

"The Liberals rely on private contributions, and get very little from large organizations... The party has not disclosed the cost of Mr Thorpe's bovercraft trip, but that will not come out of the election fund, as money for it has already been collected and set aside..."

"The Conservatives are in a pretty healthy state, I should say, but of course, in the present economic situation investment has gone down, and we are always in need of funds," a Conservative spokesman said... The Liberals in February appealed for £40,000 and got £70,000, which was all spent. Now the party has a small surplus in the current account...

Tories propose flexibility in retirement age

By Our Political Staff Provisions for flexibility in the retirement age are to be proposed in the revised Conservative policy document to be announced today by Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, principal spokesman for the Opposition on the social services... He will introduce this afternoon a party policy document under the new Conservative proposals, men and women would be able to retire at an earlier age than now if their contributions had entitled them to an adequate pension, and they would also be free to go on contributing to the state pension to a later age if they wished to increase their pension entitlement...

Building unions may avoid breaking social contract

By Paul Routledge Labour Correspondent Building trade unions have drawn up a face-saving formula that would allow postponement of a claim for a rise of £19 a week to that of the TUC's "social contract" with the Government... A soft-line bargaining posture was put to a meeting of building workers' leaders yesterday, and is likely to be presented to senior members of the TUC General Council tomorrow as a contribution to the stability of the trade unions' understanding with the Government...

£20,000 stockbroker faces rigours of £5,000 basic

By David Leigh No one in the City appeared yesterday to be losing his nerve, despite the Financial Times index below 200 on Monday... The suffering is there, of course. A young stockbroker told me: "The difference in my standard of living has been enormous. I bought a house on a £27,000 mortgage two years ago and now I cannot keep up the payments..."

Weather forecast and recordings



Labour's £250,000 workers in building

Labour's £250,000 workers in building and civil engineering over the winter... Building employers are likely to be sympathetic to the political difficulties facing the trade union side, and negotiations next month may lead to a consolidation of threshold payments into basic rates, together with guaranteed bonuses to £2,500,000 workers in building and civil engineering over the winter...

At the resorts

Table with columns for location, sun, rain, and temperature. Includes sections for 'SE COAST', 'SW COAST', and 'W COAST' with specific resort names like Scarborough, Brighton, and Bournemouth.

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HOME NEWS

### Police says football hooligans will die unless curbs are curbed

Police officials yesterday said the hooligans who after Monday night's riot and Cardiff match caused extensive damage, Mr Cocks, Labour MP for South, who toured the riot football would unless sterner action is taken against trouble-makers.

Mr Howell, a Minister in the Department of Sport, said he is to meet the Secretary to discuss stricter penalties on football hooligans.

Mr Howell said he was at the damage caused at houses, shops, public houses and other vehicles damaged as supporters through the streets League Cup tie, territorialists.

Mr Howell said a crowd of 8,813 was one of Bristol City's smallest for several years. Mr Cocks said that more people would stay away. "At this rate football will die the death in Bristol."

Mr Howell, who is on holiday in Devon, described the behaviour of the so-called supporters at Monday night's game as intolerable.

Mr Howell said he was in the next few weeks, Mr Howell intends to see British Rail and the travel trade on September 4 to discuss ways of curbing hooliganism.

Mr Tony Sully, secretary of Bristol City, apologized on behalf of the club and said: "The club is horrified and disgusted with the behaviour of a small element of last night's crowd." He said some of the supporters were under the age of 11.

Urging sterner measures to curb violence, he added: "The answer may be to lock these people up on Saturday afternoons and during other matches."

A similar demand came from Mr Lance Hayward, secretary of Cardiff City, who said: "As far as I and my club are concerned, the harder the magistrates come down the better."

### Attention for supporters 135 arrests

Police Correspondent admitted using threatening words and told the court: "It was an impulse that I was singing with the rest of the fans."

His father told the magistrates that after the Welsh disaster his son had helped to raise money for the victims. The boy was remanded on bail until September 2.

Mr Martin Davies, for the prosecution, said a "mindless mob" stormed through the ground, smashing windows and milk bottles and overturning a car. A woman was badly injured when she tried to prevent an attack on her husband. Mrs Leda Swirek was thrown to the ground as vandals smashed windows of her home in Cumberland Road. Her husband, George, escaped with a bruised leg after a gang of about 50 youths charged him.

Extra police officers had to be drafted in to cope with the trouble. The 135 people arrested after the game have all been granted bail to appear in court later. Five were 12 years old, 14 were 14, and a further 40 ranged between 15 and 18. The rest were adults.

### Committal for trial on Poulson charges

Alfred Merritt, aged 71, a retired civil servant, was alleged at Pontefract Magistrates' Court, West Yorkshire, yesterday to have had family holidays, including a cruise worth nearly £1,200, at the expense of John Poulson, the former architect.

Mr Merritt, of Graugewood Court, Leeds, who retired six years ago as Ministry of Health principal regional officer in Leeds, was committed on bail for trial at Leeds Crown Court in 11 charges involving Mr Poulson.

One alleged that in dates between 1960 and 1968 he conspired with Mr Poulson that Mr Poulson should corruptly make and Mr Merritt corruptly receive gifts and considerations to influence his conduct in his job with the ministry.

Six further charges alleged that, being an agent of the Crown, he accepted or agreed to accept from Mr Poulson six holidays at the Tregenna Castle Hotel, St Ives, Cornwall, for himself and his wife and in some cases also other members of his family and friends, to the total value of £2,474, as inducement or reward for assisting or showing favour to Mr Poulson.

A similar charge involved a holiday at the Carlton Hotel, Bournemouth, valued at £150, and another a cruise.

Two further similar charges alleged the payment by Mr Poulson to a firm of £405 for the benefit of Mr Merritt and the receiving by Mr Merritt from Mr Poulson of a cheque for £100.

### TV man wins plea to keep driving licence

Neil Durden-Smith, a television sports commentator, who drove away a milk float as a prank after a celebration party at Folkestone, Kent, won an appeal at Canterbury Crown Court yesterday to keep his driving licence.

Folkestone magistrates in June banned him from driving for a year and fined him a total of £80 for taking the milk float, using it without third party insurance, driving with an excess of alcohol in his blood and failing to provide a specimen for a breath test.

Judge Hill-Smith decided that there were special reasons why Mr Durden-Smith, aged 40, of Hillway, Highgate, London, should not lose his licence.



Children aged eight to 12 having fun with art at the second Kidsplay experimental workshop at the Tate Gallery, London, yesterday, with gallery staff.

### Tories pledge standard for 'three Rs'

By Tim Devlin Education Correspondent

Basic national standards in reading, writing and mathematics for children have followed the parents' charter as a main plank in Conservative education policy.

Mr Norman St John-Stevens, Opposition spokesman on education, told Lixbridge Conservatives last night that a Conservative government would re-establish standards for the "three Rs".

Central government would play a far larger part in the field. That might be resented by local authorities and teachers, although it would appeal to many parents.

Mr St John-Stevens said the Conservatives proposed to provide tests which would be carried out in schools by an expanded and strengthened school inspectorate. He continued:

"We would thus provide teachers with objective targets. We would set up a permanent monitoring system which would work long term to raise standards. An integral part of the system would be a research unit within the Department of Education which would seek to establish what is actually happening in our schools and to improve reading and numeracy tests."

He went on to ensure that children are able to do basic mathematics, to read easily, to have a good command of English and to express themselves in writing.

He promised that the Conservatives would publish early the Bullock report on literacy and appoint a new inquiry into arithmetical standards as part of a concerted drive to raise standards.

Mr Prentice, Secretary of State for Education and Science, was preparing plans for the future of the 174 direct-grant schools. Mr St John-Stevens said. The minister would destroy such schools in an act of "unprecedented educational vandalism". A Conservative government would improve their capital

### In brief Call to penalize corruption twice

Corrupt local authority members and officials should have to answer to the civil as well as criminal courts, the National Association of Local Councils said yesterday. It believes that it would be a "substantial deterrent" if dishonest people felt they would not be able to enjoy the profits of their dishonesty.

The recommendation is included in observations sent to the Department of the Environment on the official report into conduct in local government. Recourse to civil law would compel a person to repay his profits to his authority.

### Freezer death charge

Brian Fairbairn, aged 35, a former builder, of Sparrow Farm Drive, Feltham, Middlesex, was committed by magistrates at Feltham yesterday for trial at the Central Criminal Court charged with murdering his wife, Denise, aged 28, in May, 1973. Her body was found in a deep freezer at their home.

### Two PCs accused

Chief Supt Percy Brown, head of Coventry police division, confirmed yesterday that two constables, stationed at Stone Station Road police station, had been suspended from duty and would appear before Coventry magistrates next month on assault summonses.

### Doctor struck off

Dr Philip James Doust, of Hastings, who demanded more than £2,000 from his former wife's family for medical services he had not given and falsely claimed qualifications, had his name erased from the medical register yesterday for serious professional misconduct.

### Bollard battle

For the third time in recent months, Ipswich council workmen yesterday cut down a steel bollard which Mr Douglas Atfield placed outside his antique shop in St Stephen's Lane to protect it from heavy lorries.

### First-day mishaps

Five pensioners suffered cuts and bruises on the first day of a new pedestrian scheme at Peterborough by tripping over white-painted plaques separating shoppers from traffic.

### Jumbo's burst tyres

An American jumbo jet from Washington, carrying 163 passengers, landed safely at Heathrow airport, London, yesterday, with two burst tyres.

### Deportation fears of Pakistani 'overstayers'

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

The Pakistani community in Britain is confused, and in some cases panicky, over the effects of the Pakistan Act, 1973, its leaders said yesterday.

Under the Act, introduced because of Pakistan's withdrawal from the Commonwealth, all Pakistanis in Britain become aliens unless they seek or obtain registration as citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies.

Those eligible for registration were given 12 months, ending on August 31, to make up their minds. Those who had been resident in Britain for at least five years up to September 1, 1973, are eligible for citizenship by registration, the League of Overseas Pakistanis said.

Fears that up to 15,000 will become aliens have prompted the league to plead with Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary, for more time.

Mr Q. S. Anisuddin, chairman of the league, said yesterday that the worst affected were Pakistanis classed as "overstayers"—those who were allowed into Britain on conditions for a limited period but stayed here. Their year's immunity from deportation ends on August 31.

One reason why they have not registered is the fear that by making their whereabouts known they would put themselves at the mercy of the Home Office.

The Government is anxious that the Pakistani community should not misunderstand the position, Mr Alexander Lyon, Home Office minister responsible for race relations, told me: "Anyone qualified to apply for citizenship under the Pakistan Act has had something like 18 months to get application forms, and I personally am satisfied that most have done so."

"I have no evidence that substantial numbers of people have not already got their application forms in. Once the forms are in, it does not matter that it will take a little time to process them, because their rights are safeguarded."

Government statistics published yesterday show that 15,896 Pakistanis obtained citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies in 1973, by far the largest number to do so from any overseas country.

Statistics of Persons Acquiring Citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies, 1973 (Command 5707, Stationery Office, 14p).

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WEST EUROPE

Danish doctor's hint on euthanasia brings police inquiry

From Geoffrey Dodd Copenhagen, Aug 20

Danish medical authorities have sought suspension of a police investigation of a leading physician to allow him to complete his report explaining remarks he made on euthanasia in a Danish state radio programme earlier this month.

Dr Bjoern Ibsen, professor of anaesthetics at Copenhagen University and head of the intensive care unit at Copenhagen Municipal Hospital, has not been suspended from duty.

Mr Soeren K. Soerensen, head of the Danish state medical board, said Professor Ibsen's remarks did not make it clear whether he had given injections to prevent a patient regaining consciousness or to relieve pain in the former inoperable condition.

Although the authorities see an ambiguity in the words, the Danish press and public are certain Professor Ibsen was referring to euthanasia.

His statement is far from uncommon in Denmark but medical authorities have chosen to ignore more veiled indications by doctors that euthanasia is practised in hospitals.

Professor Ibsen has campaigned for several years for a more realistic attitude towards death if only because medical technology has made it possible to preserve life "to the point of caricature" as he said in a book on the subject published in 1969.

He also said: "I must feel able to switch off a patient's respirator and let him have peace when I consider this is the best thing for him. It is unreasonable that no one should be allowed to die until

they have spent three months in a respirator."

Other doctors have periodically urged a revision of the Danish death criteria, possibly as a move towards more open acceptance of providing some form of death aid for incurable patients.

Encouraged by doctors engaged in transplants, they have urged that Denmark should follow Finland's lead and use a "brain death criterion" rather than the present heart death criterion.

But Mr Soerensen, who was an anaesthetist before his appointment to the medical board, emphasized to me that the transplant doctors would be forced to produce "very convincing evidence indeed" before any change would be considered.

Euthanasia was basically an ethical issue and was thus a field in which doctors had no special authority.

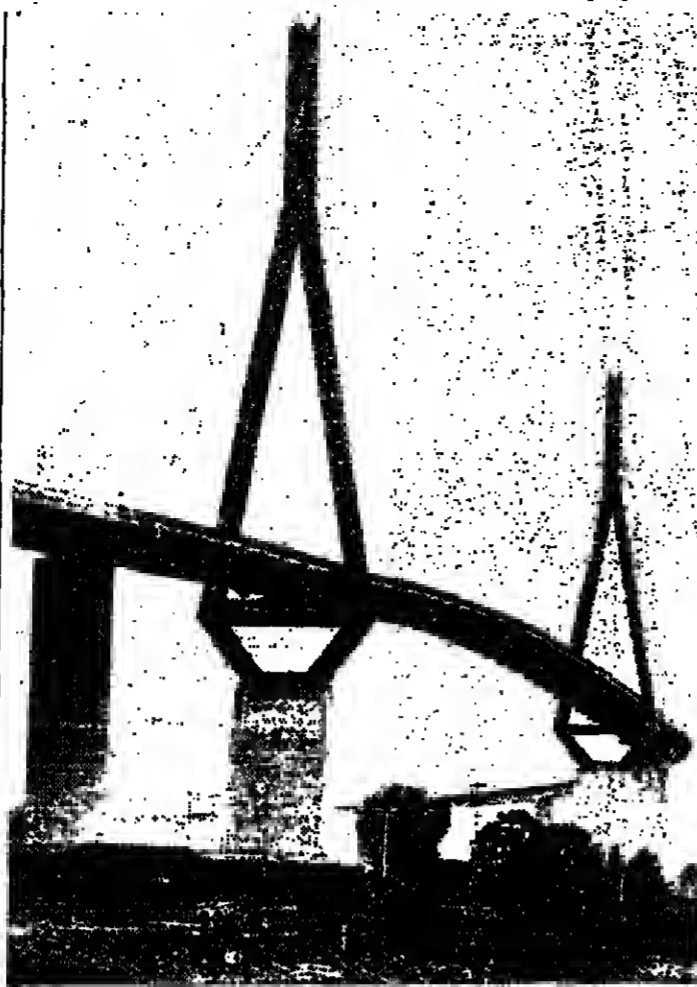
In the past it was often possible for a family doctor to know whether his patient would prefer to die quickly, but this situation scarcely exists any longer in Denmark where over 70 per cent of all deaths are in hospitals or institutions.

Many medical contributors to the current debate have emphasized that through his provocation, Professor Ibsen could cause unnecessary worry among patients, creating a credibility gap between doctor and patient.

Stockholm, Aug 20.—A Swedish anaesthetist today disclosed in a lecture that 12 times in the past three years he had killed people whose brains had stopped functioning.

The doctor, whose name was not given, told the weekly *Vidvald* magazine he realized that under Swedish law he was guilty of murder. "But," he added, "an ill person is incurably dead when his brain has ceased to function."

He said that he had stopped the hearts of ill people by intravenous injections of derivatives of potassium which preserved healthy organs for transplants and was thus saving lives.—Agence France Presse.



The new bridge over the Elbe at Hamburg. After the official opening next month pedestrians will enjoy a brief right to stroll across, before the bridge is devoted entirely to vehicles.

Italian and W German summit at Lake Como

From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Aug 20

Signor Mariano Rumor and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, are to meet on the last two days of August in northern Italy, the Prime Minister's office announced today.

The meeting, believed to be due to take place at Lake Como, is regarded here as of capital importance. Press reports have suggested that the two leaders will be concerned largely with the loan which the Italians are negotiating to help them over their acute economic difficulties.

Officially it is felt, however, that the meeting will have a much broader importance.

The Italian feeling is that the encounter is better seen in terms of EEC policy than strictly bilateral relations. The summit resumption of the Community's activities provides plenty to discuss, including such factors as the effects of the expected general election in Britain and the French hopes to see a summit conference at the end of the French presidency of the European Commission.

In an evaluation of the situation in the eastern Mediterranean, and they understand that the Germans want a full discussion of the problem. Finally, Signor Rumor will be able to give the German Chancellor a thorough account of the autumn prospects on the Italian political and economic scene.

This is in a sense the kernel of the whole discussion because of the hearing of Italy's domestic state of affairs on all the other issues which will be talked about.

Italian political stability and economic reconstruction to an autumn which clearly is going to be difficult are of immediate relevance to the Community's affairs and to Italy's role as Europe's "presence" in the mid-Mediterranean.

Signor Colombo, the Treasury Minister, who is to Bonn today with Signor Guido Carli, Governor of the Bank of Italy, is understood to be dealing with the details of the projected loan with West German ministers. Press reports give the amount under discussion as \$3,500,000,000 (£2,450m).

Paris recalls the day of its liberation

Paris, Aug 20.—Paris today began celebrating the thirtieth anniversary of its liberation from Nazi occupation with a ceremony at the main police headquarters where some of the fiercest fighting took place in 1944.

M. Fontatowski, the Minister of the Interior, presided over the ceremony. Medals were presented to policemen recently injured in the performance of duty. Police and fire brigades took part in a parade.

The celebrations will continue until Saturday with ceremonies at various monuments to war victims and heroes, a fireworks display, and a public dance in front of the Hotel de Ville.—Reuter.

Speculators said to start fires in Italian forests

From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Aug 20

This year is expected to be a record for forest fires in Italy. Over the past 20 years about a tenth of all the country's wooded areas has been destroyed by fire.

Of the 3,553 big forest fires last year only nine were attributed to natural causes. Some 959 were said to have been caused by negligence.

The *Milan Corriere Della Sera* comments today that building speculators "set light to what others want as natural parks or oases for fauna. Once a piece of land had been turned into a desert, it is much simpler to ask for a revision of development plans."

Russians reject Western protest over Berlin

Bonn, Aug 20.—The Soviet Union has turned down a joint protest by the United States, Britain and France over communist interference with road traffic to West Berlin.

Allied sources indicated today. Without going into the substance of the Soviet reply, the sources implied that the Russians had supported the East German position that the establishment of a West German environmental agency in Berlin was a violation of the 1971 four-power agreement.

A verbal Soviet reply was delivered at the three Western embassies in Moscow last week, the sources said.

Despite the negative response, Allied circles in Bonn feel that the original Western protest had had its effect and that interference on Berlin transit routes had all but ceased.

The opening of the West German Environmental Agency last month prompted East German border guards to interrogate travellers to determine whether they were employed in the new office. This slowed down Western road traffic.

The three Western allies, who vetoed occupation rights over West Berlin, delivered a joint protest to the Soviet Foreign Ministry on August 5.—AP.

Belgian farmers demonstrate against prices

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Aug 20

Belgian farmers are keeping up their pressure on the European Community for immediate increases in agricultural prices. Several hundred demonstrators from the farming area around Brussels took to the streets with their tractors today to air their grievances.

For the first time during the protest campaign, tractors penetrated parts of the city. About a dozen vehicles blocked entrances to the car park of the Belgian radio and television headquarters during the morning rush hour.

Another 200 tractors and 100 cars driven by farmers invaded the town of Diest, 35 miles from Brussels, and a column of 200 vehicles interrupted traffic on the Antwerp to Brussels motorway.

Small French farm's big worries

From Richard Wigg Paris, Aug 20

France, as anyone who drives through it away from the main roads immediately grasps, is still a land with an abundance of small agricultural towns and villages. There are still more than 20,000 small communes in spite of persistent attempts by the Ministry of the Interior to persuade local authorities to re-group.

Often small towns and villages are very pretty, and more and more families from the big cities, and West Europeans, have been buying a "weekend home" to recapture the traditional ways of French life and the rural peace that goes with them.

Yet farmers who live in many of these villages often regard the life as far less idyllic, lacking perhaps the telephone, electricity, crucial today if a farm is to be worked by modern methods, and even running water and drains.

Successive governments have solemnly assured the villages of France about maintaining their role in a country which could support twice its present 52 million population. But the villages face several threats to their economic future.

These rural difficulties, such as rising agricultural land values, and the achieving of

modern economic structure, tend to be overlooked as farmers noisily demand fresh increases in the Brussels Commission's common agricultural policy.

A group of 150 deputies in the French Parliament has worked for years to try to ensure the balanced development of France's small communes.

The *Groupe d'Etude Parlementaire pour l'Aménagement Rural* called last week on M. Chirac, the Prime Minister, to press such long-term troubles on his attention, apart from the more immediate agricultural malaise.

But M. Chirac is a former Minister of Agriculture and can claim credit for French farmers' average incomes going up by 27 per cent over the past three years.

The group is partially a lobby and partially a serious study group headed by a bright younger Gaullist and independent Republican deputies from rural constituencies.

"In time of crisis, investments tend to be cut," M. Marc Becam, its Gaullist chairman from a Breton constituency, told me: "We shall have to watch the Budget closely. We fear there will be sacrifices on *amenagement rural*. I agree, though, that studying inflation must be the Government's first priority and

Valuables stolen from deed boxes in Paris bank

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Aug 20

Four wealthy Paris families returned from their summer holidays today to find that the valuables they had stored in deed boxes with the Banque Rothschild had been stolen by a highly accomplished thief.

As he left no trace of force on the deed boxes, the police still do not know how many more victims there will be finally. The deed boxes were in the strongroom at the Avenue de Suffren branch of the bank.

One woman, who said that she had lost all her best jewelry, first alerted the police last week. But they must still await further complaints before their inquiries.

M. Camille Bouvier, the Paris police officer who is handling the case, said today that he was examining the possibility of the thief having received inside help. Managers of the bank would say nothing today

"in order not to binder the inquiries". The police said that according to their inquiries the thief had managed to use the bank's own duplicate keys to get to the deed boxes.

They pointed out that at this time of year people often put valuables such as jewelry, gold ingots and paintings in their deed boxes to avoid leaving them in their flats.

Bank staff have told the police that they remember a man coming to rent a deed box early in August. He returned several times with a suitcase or a bag and it had been assumed that he was putting valuables into his box. One of the clerks who had given the key to customers of such a distinguished bank the guards had left him alone.

The thief had carefully sealed each of the little bags to contain the duplicate deed box keys with a small flat stone.

OVERSEAS

Three Greek Cypriots arrested over killing of American Ambassador in Nicosia

Nicosia, Aug 20.—Three Greek Cypriots have been arrested in connection with the killing of Mr Roger Davies, the American Ambassador, informed sources said here tonight.

The names of the three were not disclosed, and police would not say whether they were members of the Greek Cypriot Army, the National Guard, or irregulars.

President Glafkos Clerides, who called the killing "an atrocious crime", was reported to be taking a personal interest in the murder investigation.

Mr Davies, who was 53, was mortally wounded by gunfire from the embassy came under siege from hundreds of chanting, screaming Greek Cypriots yesterday protesting against what they regarded as American failure to halt the Turkish invasion of Cyprus.

A women secretary was also killed, her head virtually blown off by a large calibre bullet as she went to the ambassador's aid.

The United Nations meanwhile reported continuing quiet in the island's battle fronts. In Nicosia, amid signs of a gradual return to normal living, there appeared to be a slowly growing confidence that the ceasefire would hold.

The murder investigation was going on as the body of Mr Davies was being taken by a

United Nations helicopter from Nicosia to the British base at Akrotiri in the southern part of the island. There it was attended by a small guard of honour of eight ceremonially dressed British officers led by the base commander, Air Commodore Doo Brown.

Draped in the Stars and Stripes, the body was then being flown back to Washington via Beirut and Spain, on board a special United States Air Force aircraft later tonight.

The aircraft arrived in Cyprus with Mr I. Dean Brown, a Deputy Under-Secretary of State, who is to look after the embassy until a new ambassador is appointed.

Mr Brown said on arrival that the killing of Mr Davies would not affect American policy towards Cyprus. It was an unfortunate incident. Our policy will not be affected at all," he said.

Patrick Brogan writes from Washington: The State Department was able to provide a few more details today of the circumstances surrounding the killing of Mr Davies.

A spokesman emphasized that the United States believed the Marines guarding the Cyprus National Guard and the Cypriot Government had done their best to protect the embassy. He said that there was a staff meeting in the embassy

at 10 am local time, when reports reached Mr Davies that a big anti-American demonstration was beginning outside.

He immediately ordered that the security plan be put into effect. The American Embassy in Nicosia, like many across the world, is prepared for this sort of contingency. The plan was notified and sent a force to control the crowd. When they proved unable to do so, and when it became apparent that the demonstration was getting out of hand, the police called in the National Guard.

The State Department spokesman said that the National Guard arrived too late to prevent the tragedy but he believed that it came as quickly as it could. The shot that killed Mr Davies came from a building under construction opposite the embassy, between 100 and 150 yards away.

The fatal bullet came through a window of a first floor corridor. The window had been covered with blackout paper during earlier air raids and so the marksmen could not have seen his victim.

The spokesman insisted that the Marines guarding the embassy did not fire back. They used teargas to keep the demonstrators from breaking into the embassy building, and in fact no one got in.

Assurance on health at Cyprus base

Dhekelia, Cyprus, Aug 20.—President Clerides said today that there was a serious dysentery epidemic among refugee children in the British sovereign base of Dhekelia. But a British military spokesman said there was only one case at the base.

President Clerides made his statement to a reporters visiting the 60,000 refugees who sought sanctuary at Dhekelia. He added that thousands of animals were dying because people had been unable to get back to their parched villages to water them.

The President drove from Nicosia with a convoy of correspondents, taking a road that skirted the Turkish lines. He was accompanied by armed

police in four cars, and stopped to talk to refugees in the southern resort town of Larnaca.

Mr Clerides saw hundreds of famished children under trees on the sunbaked plain behind the Dhekelia base.

At a press conference under the trees, Mr Clerides said: "One of the main conditions of any agreement [to settle the crisis] is the return to their homes of these people under the protection of the United Nations."

Asked how they were managing with food supplies, Mr Clerides said his Government was sending "as much as we can spare and the British are doing the same".

"Many foodstores in Nicosia are in the hands of the Turks," he said. He has asked the United Nations and the Turkish Commander to allow the people to return to their homes or allow the food store to be moved, but I have had no reply.

Dozens of houses and flats of British families, evacuated from Limassol to southern Cyprus, have been looted by Greek Cypriots, sources at the British base of Akrotiri said today.

Today convoys of British lorries escorted by RAF police, went to Limassol to collect goods belonging to Britons.—Reuter and Agence France Presse.

Wider cod war feared after sea law conference

From Marcel Berlins Caracas, Aug 8

The failure of the international law of the sea conference to reach any decision on fishing limits could have grave consequences for the British fishing industry. Disappointment over the talks, which end on Thursday, is likely to cause a number of governments to take unilateral action and extend their fishing limits.

Of particular importance to Britain is the fact that the next few months, declare an exclusive fishing zone extending to 50 miles from its shores, thus denying to British trawlers a significant proportion of their cod catch.

Mr Asten Laing, the director-general of the British Trawlers' Federation, said today that such action by Norway could set off a chain reaction which would have a severely adverse effect on British fisheries.

Norway's example might lead to other countries, near whose shores British fishermen operated, taking similar action, he told me.

"Strongly though we deplore unilateral action, we may be forced into a position where the United Kingdom Government would have to consider extending our own limits in order to protect stocks which are already being fished as much as they ought to be," he said.

Mr Laing, who emphasized that he was speaking on behalf of the entire fishing industry in Britain, added that even the unilateral action which the industry had before the conference had proved unfounded.

Norwegian delegates here have little doubt that the Norwegian Government will be pressing for a 50-mile limit soon. About one-eighth of Britain's cod is caught off the northern shores of Norway, most of it within the 50-mile zone.

The present judgment of the International Court of Justice against Iceland arising from the cod war would seem to make a unilateral Norwegian declaration illegal. But Norway may prefer to take the action and defend it before the court, if it is taken there by Britain or any other country, in contrast to Iceland, which chose not to defend itself at all.

Journalist arrested in Nigeria

Lagos, August 20.—Police in the Western State capital of Ibadan holding the journalist-author of a pamphlet calling for an investigation into the activities of the former Communist Government, Mr Joseph Tarka, have now also arrested a well-known columnist.

The columnist, Mr Mike Omoleye, writes a column entitled "Talking at Random" for the *Daily Sketch* which is owned by the Western State government. No reason was given for his arrest.

Agence France Presse.

US call for more dynamic population control plan

From Dossa Trevisan Bureast, Aug 20

Mr M. Weisberger, the United States Secretary of State for Health, Education and Welfare, urged the World Population Conference here today to set a goal of stabilizing population growth, and promised American assistance with population programmes all over the world.

Speaking on the second day of the conference, he made it plain that while his government agreed to the basic aim of the proposed plan, it favoured a more dynamic programme to slow down the present population growth.

American proposals, which are almost certain to be challenged by countries whose official policy is to increase their population, sets national

goals, together with a world goal of "replacement level" of fertility by the year 2000.

This would involve an average of two children per family and, as Mr Weisberger suggested, provide a better chance that the world population in that year will reach approximately 5,900 million, rather than to more than 11,000 million as estimated at the present rate.

Mr Rafael Salas, executive director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, asked the governments represented at the conference to provide an extra \$200m as demands for funds were increasing steadily and, according to present estimates, \$500m was needed for the next financial year.

US amnesty offer greeted coolly

By Martin Huckerby

President Ford's call for a conditional amnesty to be granted to American draft resisters and deserters received a very cool reception yesterday from American exiles in Britain.

Mr Fritz Eflaw, a draft resister who is president of the Union of American Exiles in Britain, said that Mr Ford did not seem to be offering a genuine amnesty. It appeared to be neither unconditional nor universal.

He thought some of the estimated 300 draft resisters living in this country might return to the United States under the terms of such a conditional amnesty were worked out, but he was certain that many others would refuse.

He had not expected this announcement so soon but suggested that, because there were already Bills before Congress calling for an unconditional amnesty, Mr Ford's proposal for a more limited measure was a case of avoiding giving a complete amnesty.

Mr Eflaw thought the United States Government might eventually approve a scheme similar to the present proposal in the Senate which would oblige draft resisters to spend two years in some type of national service, perhaps some form of domestic Peace Corps.

This would imply a degree of guilt which, he said, many of the resisters did not feel. Even those people who had made a new life in Britain still

amnesty and wanted Mr Ford to drop the conditions he had tied to his offer.

"We feel that these men were right," he said. "They not only deserve no penalty, they deserve a commendation for what was often an act of courage."

Mr Thomas Culver, a British-hesed lawyer with the American Civil Liberties Union, did not believe there would be any sudden rush back across the Atlantic. "The vast majority of these people have worked out their problems," he said.

Many of the draft resisters had already returned to the United States. "You don't have a quarter of the people who were here a few years ago," he said. Many had had to go back after making deals with the American prosecutors, often because technical faults had been found in the administration of the draft laws.

Mr Culver brought a lot of the people still in Britain had now settled down here, some with English wives. He did not believe many were going to hurry back to work for, say, two years to a mental hospital.

"The vast majority of these people have worked out their problems," he said. "They not only deserve no penalty, they deserve a commendation for what was often an act of courage."

Mr Barry Fockler, from Spokane, Washington State, a leader of one of many exile groups here, said the move towards conditional amnesty struck him as part of a deal involving clemency for former President Nixon. Mr Fockler, a film editor, said he would not

Israel pique over Kissinger invitation

From Our Own Correspondent Tel Aviv, Aug 20

Israel received the second jolt from Washington in as many days when Dr Henry Kissinger, the American Secretary of State, without waiting for Israel's acceptance, announced yesterday that Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Prime Minister, had been invited for talks in the first half of September.

The Israelis, who preferred a meeting later in the autumn, were upset and the newspaper *Haaretz* said Kissinger's invitation to Mr Rabin was "an offer he can't refuse, in the style of the Godfather of the disengagement agreement".

Even Foreign Ministry officials in Jerusalem said the visit of Kissinger put the annual summit at a press conference was "unheard of".

Maariv said it was not merely a breach of protocol and courtesy but a crude attempt to put the timetable for Israel's political action. Israel officials were similarly displeased on Sunday by a passage in the American-Jordanian joint statement issued at the end of King Hussein's visit to Washington, pledging consultation concerning issues such as a Jordanian-Israeli disengagement agreement.

"Disengagement" as used by the Americans has had to be supplemented for unilateral Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories in advance of peace negotiations.

The statement surprised Israelis as Mr Yigal Alon, the Foreign Minister, had returned from Washington reporting a understanding that the Americans would not support Jordan's demands. Mr Alon had also discussed in Washington a visit by Mr Rabin in November.

Last week, a request reached Jerusalem that Mr Rabin visit be advanced to the beginning of next month. Mr Rabin had been asked to propose to the Cabinet, which must approve his mission.

The Israelis want Mr Rabin to go to Washington after President Sadat's visit so the Americans might first explore the *quid pro quo* of Arabs might be prepared to offer in return for concessions they demanded from Israel. The Israelis themselves had not yet worked out their own proposals for the next stage of peace negotiations.

Moreover, it was noted here that military and economic commitments arising out of President Nixon's visit here in June had not yet been implemented and that the Israelis would like to see some progress.

Meanwhile, the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, which ended its summer session last week, is to interrupt its recess to discuss recent developments. The Government has made it clear that Israel will not consider a withdrawal from occupied Jordanian territory unless it was part of a peace settlement.

Dr Kissinger yesterday explained that in order to hold consultations about disengagement, the Americans had not endorsed the proposal. The Secretary of State also sent a more detailed clarification to Mr Ayalon.



Mr Fritz Eflaw: "A principle at stake."

wanted to clear their names and to be able to visit their families in the United States, and they wanted a full amnesty.

Mr Eflaw, who is 27, came to Britain from Oklahoma five and a half years ago and is now a student of urban and regional planning. He said he was very keen to return to the United States but felt there was a principle at stake.

Mr Heinz Norden, a businessman who is a representative of Concerned Americans Abroad, said Mr Ford's statement came as "a very agreeable surprise". But he emphasized that his group was seeking an unconditional

return to the United States unless exiles were given complete clemency.

Many of the Americans have lived here for most of their adult lives and few would wish to be repatriated. It is probable that at least some would remain even if unconditional amnesty came to pass.

On the other hand, they have noted that some deserters have already slipped back to the United States without being arrested and are living quietly there, holding down jobs.

Deserter circles said that it appeared that the American authorities were not making strenuous efforts to track down exiles who had returned.

OVERSEAS

Congress closes files on the moves to impeach Mr Nixon

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Aug 20 The House of Representatives closed its books on the attempted impeachment of President Nixon today...

Some of the Republicans who voted against all the proposed articles of impeachment approached Mr Peter Rodino, the committee chairman...

Rockefeller nomination pleases both parties

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Aug 20 The first reactions to Mr Rockefeller's nomination for the Presidency have been favourable...

qualified, but I do not know what it is going to do to the Republican Party. Mr Ronald Reagan, Governor of California...

South Vietnamese forces lose third town

Saigon, Aug 20—South Vietnamese forces appeared today to have lost the third town in a fortnight to the communists in the northern and central provinces.

east in Quang Ngai province, and of Thuong Duc to the north in Quang Nam province nearly two weeks ago.

The Angolan rebels who fight on

From Michael Knipe Carmona, Angola, Aug 20 It was here on the vast coffee plantations of the Uige district 400 miles north-east of Luanda that the Portuguese army...

Traffic on "The Coffee Road" between Luanda and Carmona travels for half the journey in convoy with a military guard.

Mozambique civil servants on strike

Jourenco Marques, Aug 20—A strike stood by today as 3,000 civil servants, both black and white, gathered outside the Revenue Office...

claim for higher wages. In a similar demonstration yesterday they demanded the dismissal of various officials.



Mr Ahmed greeting well-wishers who garlanded him after his election as President of India.

Muslim is Indian President

From Michael Hornsby Delhi, Aug 20 Mr Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed was today elected the fifth President of the Indian Republic by an overwhelming majority...

of the Congress Party in the central Parliament and most state assemblies. It is evident from the result, however, that the new President also received the votes of some opposition party members.

As a Muslim, Mr Ahmed has been subject to some predictable malevolent sniping from the Hindu militants. He has, however, been accused more seriously of making dishonest declarations of his land holdings...

Rainfall and bad repairs delay Soviet harvest

Moscow, Aug 20—Rain and broken farm machinery have caused "difficult, but not hopeless" problems in bringing in the Soviet harvest, Izvestia said today.

Little hope of international relief for Bangladesh

From Our Special Correspondent Dacca, Aug 20 As the floods go down in Bangladesh, it is becoming increasingly clear that the international community is not going to respond to the Government's appeals for relief aid on anything like the scale hoped for.

begin to reach those in need through the country's hopelessly inadequate distribution system. This means that the Government is going to face a stiff challenge in about two months' time when the full effects of the damage to the spring crop begin to be felt...

Reporters find no trace of Namibia 'massacre'

Katima Mulilo, Namibia, Aug 20—Journalists invited by the South African Government to investigate allegations of a massacre of almost an entire African village by South African soldiers...

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SPORT

Football

Arsenal's assembly too formal

By Norman Fox Arsenal 0 Ipswich Town 1 As preludes to last night's match at Highbury, the Metropolitan Police band offered appropriate music including "Steadfast and True" which seems to be Arsenal's theme for yet another season.

contributing factor to the game's featureless drone. A bright, new forward might have been more welcome. Having won against Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday, Ipswich, prospective champions in many minds, were not too concerned about tonight's match.

Mr Thomas takes his two half-chances hungrily

By Gerry Harrison Wolverhampton 0 Liverpool 0 By the time the gloom of winter is with us, it is doubtful whether the petros will be seen with this unbalanced diet served up elegantly and enthusiastically at Molineux last night.

Carlisle United, in the first division for the first time this season, had having yet to appear in Carlisle scored their second successive away victory by beating Middleburgh.

Results yesterday

Table listing football results from various leagues including League Cup, First Division, and Southern League.

Injured Garland out of Chelsea team

Garland is out of the Chelsea team to play at Stamford Bridge tonight. The striker limped out of last Saturday's defeat by Carlisle United after sustaining a hamstring and ankle injury.

Today's football

Table listing football fixtures for the day, including League Cup, First Division, and Southern League matches.

Swimming

From John Hopkins Vienna, Aug 20 A new strong man has surfaced in European swimming. His name is Andras Hargitay, from Budapest.

Hungarian breaks world record in medley

do at the end to lean over and embrace the Hungarian. The British had a good day. David Leigh, who had won by a narrow margin in the 100 metres breaststroke, swam faster than ever before to win the 100 metres butterfly.

Men

100 METRES BREASTSTROKE: Final: 1. N. Pankh (USSR), 1:10.4; 2. G. L. Lough (USA), 1:10.7; 3. A. B. Wilson (USA), 1:11.0; 4. G. L. Lough (USA), 1:11.0; 5. G. L. Lough (USA), 1:11.0.

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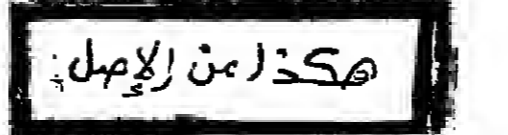
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SPORT

Cricket

Glamorgan emerge from darkest shadows for a famous victory

By John Woodcock

CRICKET Correspondent
CRADIFF, Glamorgan (14 pts) beat Hampshire (6) by five wickets.
In any recent assessment of the position at the top of the county championship table it has been assumed that Hampshire had a priceless advantage in that two of their remaining matches were against Glamorgan. Well, the first of the two finished yesterday and it was Glamorgan who won it.

decided he has had enough of that. Like a sensible man, he is small and orthodox. He has not made first-class 100 yet, his highest score being 96 not out against Gloucestershire this season, but this 90 of his was well worth it, and it earned him his county cap. He had come in on Monday evening, at 60 for two and was out until just before tea yesterday. It made the score 224 for four.

of the ground—the balls buried for ever by the banks of the Taff—"one of those equals a vice-president" said the Glamorgan secretary to his vice-presidents) and with a cover drive for four off Cowley, he completed Glamorgan's second victory of the season. Said the Glamorgan secretary, still speaking in his mind, to us of the press: "You've been underrating us; I've been telling you that." Which only time will tell.

For a side who were 43 for seven on Saturday evening, in reply to Hampshire's first innings total of 234, it was a famous victory. It means a swing, too, of 20 points at the head of the championship table; the 10, that is, which Worcestershire did gain yesterday and the 10 which Hampshire failed to gain. If Worcestershire take 18 points from Nottinghamshire in the match starting at Newark today, the between Glamorgan and Hampshire will be down to three points by Friday evening, for Hampshire now have three days off.

By the time the new ball was taken after 100 overs, or 170 for three, they were emerging strongly. When Davis being treated with Hill and Jones still in, Glamorgan were on their way home. To give an idea of the pace, the new ball was taken at 10.15, and the new ball was taken at 10.15, and the new ball was taken at 10.15.

It had been a long and frustrating day for Hampshire. For all Salisbury's marvellous perseverance they lacked a spinner with the bite to overcome the crippling stonewalls of the pitch. With Roberts hitting his teeth drawn—since Saturday evening, when he took seven for 17, in 11 overs, he had two for 121 in 47 overs—Taylor must have been worth more than five overs; which was 16 fewer than Cowley and 58 fewer than Salisbury. With 72 wickets this season, compared with Cowley's two, one would have thought that Taylor was unfit to bowl; but he was not.

Defeat of Essex spurs Worcestershire

By Alan Gibson

WORCESTER: Worcestershire (18 pts) beat Essex (3) by 10 wickets.
On Monday evening, with a stout partnership to open their second innings, they were down to 84 runs behind Worcestershire, and I wrote with some optimism of their chances of saving the match. On Monday, Davis had only Glamorgan alive by enabling them to save the follow on. This time, before and after he had retired with a wrist injury, he had been Hampshire at bay. Altogether he batted for almost six hours in the match without being out.

of high talent, he seems to have decided that his first duty is to become "a character", and when he is playing with the spectators does seem to affect the quality of his throwing in. A small thing, no doubt, but a sign of several Essex players, from Douglas through Pearce to Bailey, who would not have much appreciated it.

Philippe Edmonds, the Middlesex slow left-arm bowler, destroyed Surrey at Lord's with five victims in 24 balls to snare his county to victory by 10 wickets yesterday. He confirmed that he is worth strong consideration for MCC's winter tour to Australia. Surrey were short out for 70 with the last seven wickets falling for the addition of only eight runs in 32 minutes. Edmonds, who took six for 22 in 19.3 overs while Titmus aided the destruction with three for 32. Middlesex were left with 10 wickets and 107 runs.

Nottinghamshire too fallible in the field

By Peter Marson

NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire (7 pts) were wickets.
The batsmen had been held fast as in a vice by the bowlers on Monday, and they were made to struggle to free themselves under a burning sun yesterday. After an hour and three-quarters they had succeeded. That meant a seventh victory in the county championship for Northamptonshire, and a step up the ladder to third place behind Hampshire and Worcestershire.

broken. Virgin was missed behind the stumps off Latham, and he was suddenly scoring one run when he was suddenly caught by White, twice straight-driving him to the boundary to take eight of nine runs off the over. The last of seven leg-balls then settled the matter. Steele had been a combined opener, but was missed at slip, with Latham once more the unlucky bowler. Nottinghamshire's chance of winning this match were well within the compass of their bowlers, say, once Virgin and Steele had been taken, and providing always of course, that the batting side never less than immaculate in the field. This they were not.

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Middlesex v Surrey

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Derby v Yorkshire

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Kent v Gloucester

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Lancashire v Pakistanis

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Warwick v Sussex

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Minor Counties

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Leading first class cricket averages

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Second XI competition

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County championship

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Golf

Where a ball sits up asking to be hit

By Peter Ryde

Glamorgan held a stroke, play curtailed yesterday for the team match play golf tournament. The match will take over the stage for the last three days of the week. Understandably in a short sprint over 36 holes, played on one of Britain's more delightful holiday courses, the lead after 18 holes is shared by the varying nationalities, and there are a dozen or so one stroke behind these.

of luck. The eighteen-hole is a town-level, and Casper was up with a lead after 18 holes. He had a lead after 18 holes, but in the last tournament, before leaving the United States he finished in a tie for fifth place.

First round
69: P. E. Barry (Glasgow), J. G. ...
70: J. McCreary (Cairn Ross), P. H. ...
71: J. M. Cantares (St. John's), G. ...
72: P. M. Jamison (Dunbarton), G. ...

Hampshire champion puts out title holder

David Robertson, the 17-year-old

Dunbar golfer and holder of the title, suffered an unexpected defeat in the third round of the Boys' championship at Lord's yesterday. Robertson, who has already won both the Scottish boys' and British youths' titles this season, was defeated by 16-year-old Hampshire boy champion, playing in the championship for the first time.

Head of English side to King method

By Lewine Mair

England defeated Scotland by five matches to two to win the girls' home international golf tournament at Dunbar. Having fashioned a glorious Irish chip from the bag of the greenside bunker at eighteenth, King was playing at the head of the English side, holed for her par from nine yards, to beat a damn and a dog.

Edmonds and Titmus prove too good for Surrey

Titmus (left) and Edmonds after their spin had wrecked Surrey's



Titmus (left) and Edmonds after their spin had wrecked Surrey's innings. Titmus played county cricket before the 23-year-old Edmonds was born. Both are MCC tour candidates.

Card of course

Table with columns: Hole, Yds, Par, Hole, Yds, Par. Lists scores for various holes.

Today's cricket

SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Essex (11.0)
LONDON: Middlesex v Surrey (11.0)
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire (11.0)
NEWARK: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire (11.0)
NORTH-SUPER-MAR: Somerset v Gloucestershire (11.0)
SCARBOROUGH: Yorkshire v Gloucestershire (11.0)
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SCARBOROUGH: Yorkshire v Gloucestershire (11.0)

Yachting

Russell fights back to win after delayed start

Robert Barr, the first three boats assigned to the post, took the lead on the second reach. Russell was now third and Smith dropped to sixth. The following run saw more place changes. Penn took over the lead and maintained it up the next beat. At the third rounding of the windward mark, Russell took over the lead at the front of the fleet, but was displaced by Penn at the end of the next reach, with Courtney now lying there.

Revolution fails to trap Nicholson

The second Hornet world championship race yesterday was a long duel throughout between Malcolm Goodwin and Julian Lord in Revolution and Duncan Antler in Nicholson Super Zonker. Goodwin at last got past Nicholson on the final spinner run rounding the last mark and went ahead just a few yards. The Nicholson Super Zonker was covering tactics right of the line to win by three seconds.

Gilmore wins

The second race in the Flying 11 national championship at Stratford, London, sailed yesterday in a fresh force four. Five breeze which produced some exhilarating sailing, and, once again, a close finish. Eddie Gilmore in Interceptor snatched the race just short of the line by leading howling Patrick Carruthers in Stratford. Carruthers had led most of the way.

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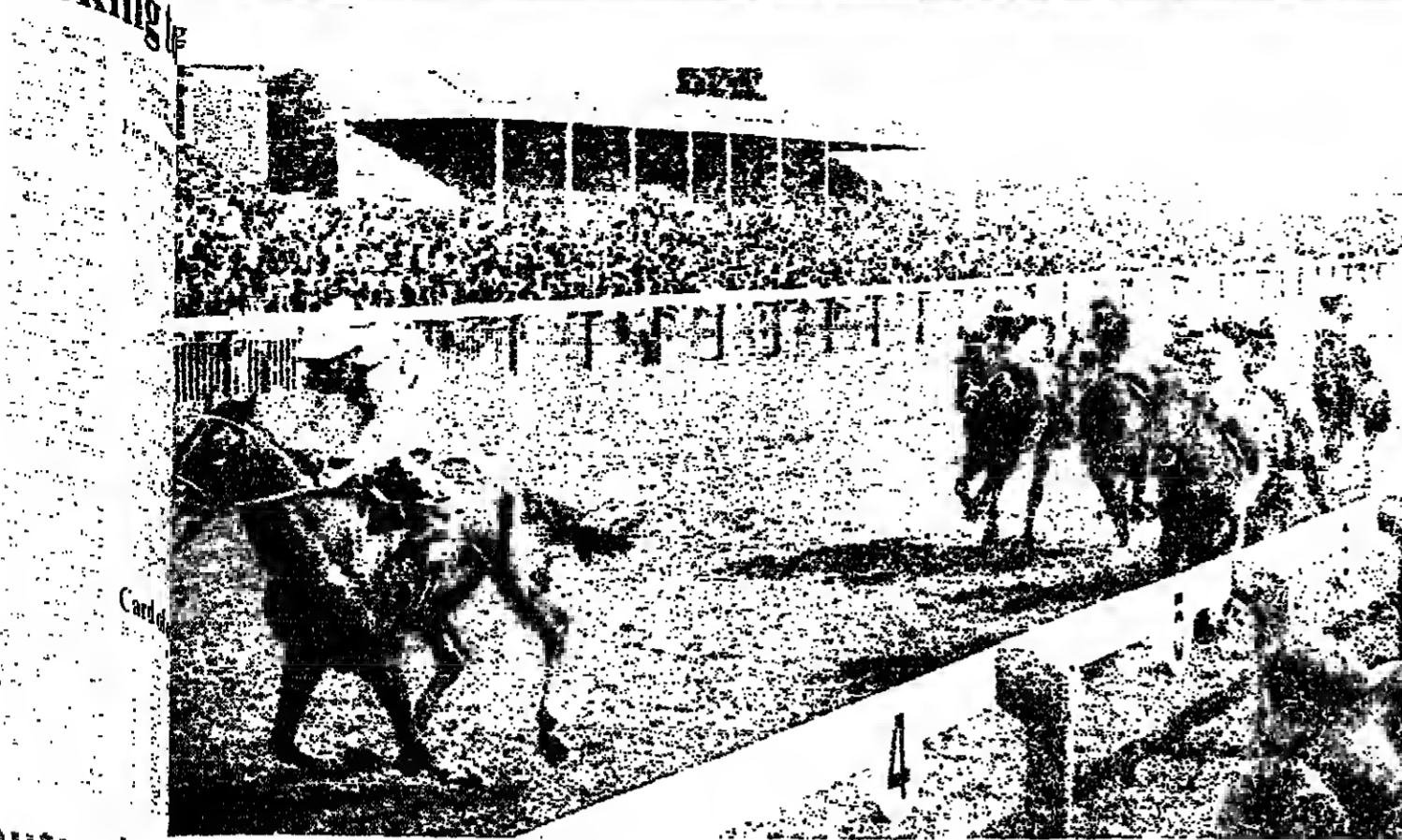
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Lester Piggott make it look easy as they race clear of the opposition in the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup.

Classic colts find no answer to Dahlia looking her best... Dahlia looked bigger than she had done all season and earlier...

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Dakota can give Sam Hall second win in Ebor Handicap

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Cycling British pursuit team lose after puncture

Montreal, Aug. 20.—British hopes of a gold medal at the world cycling championship, here were brutally dashed last night by a puncture in the quarter final of the team pursuit...

Brighton programme

- 1.30 NEWHAVEN STAKES (2-y-o; £679; 6f) 40202 The Ascendant... 003090 Mean Breeze... 003090 Mean Breeze... 2.0 SAADDLECOMBE STAKES (2-y-o fillies; £814; 7f) 00002 Chequered Lady... 00002 Chequered Lady... 2.30 GEORGE ROBEY TROPHY (3-y-o handicap; £1,168; 1m) 3-21100 Wardschapel... 30-1001 Pass a Game... 3.0 BRIGHTON LADIES HANDICAP (1m) 0-00031 Brave Talk... 0-00031 Brave Talk... 3.30 ROTTINGDEAN STAKES (1m) 0 Eastern Lullaby... 0 Eastern Lullaby... 4.0 HOLLINGBURY HANDICAP (2-y-o; £876; 6f) 041002 Marneuse Blue... 041002 Marneuse Blue... 4.30 LANCING HANDICAP (1m) 000000 Sparta... 000000 Sparta... 4.45 CLYST HURDLE (Handicap; £374; 3m 1f) 0242-42 Pride of Coultar... 0242-42 Pride of Coultar...

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2.15 Klunk, 2.45 Blue Coblin, 3.15 First Bree, 3.45 Captain Clover, 4.15 Last Bree, 4.45 Prince of Lancelot.

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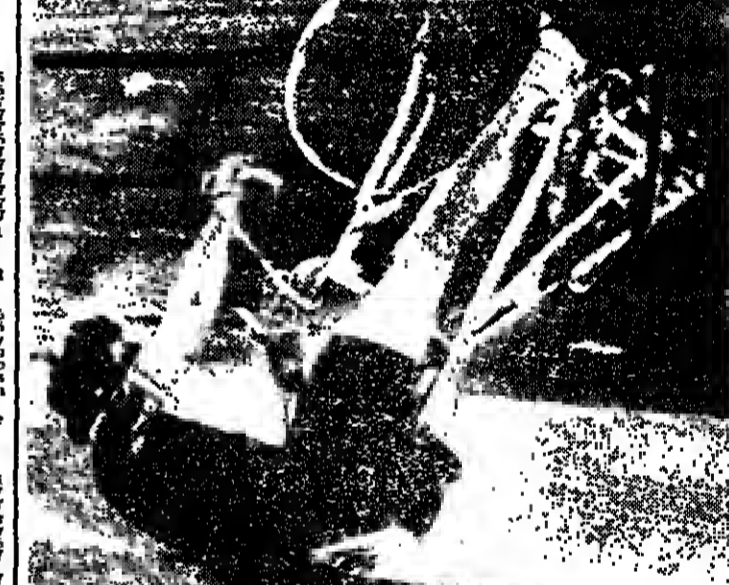
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The year of the three planned Brünnhilde

Der Ring des Nibelungen Bayreuth Festspielhaus

William Mann

The 1974 Bayreuth Ring will perhaps go down to history as the year of the three planned Brünnhildes...

Kovacs, was said to have asked for more coaching. At the press conference somebody suggested that the new centenary production of Der Ring should be...

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She comes before us in a pale blue silk cat suit and turban, gliding beneath what she herself describes as 'this Sittin' Bird' of hers...

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Elizabeth Goudge's view of her life from a happy home



Guernsey until she was eighteen. Some of them had psychic gifts—I think it was because of living on an island, alone with their own legends and stories—the islands were believed to be very haunted in those days.

While her mother had considerable psychic powers, of which her daughter writes, she herself has only a little. "I can be very aware of people who have died, but I cannot trust my intuition. I think that someone I love is ill, and I am most terribly worried and I think that it is nothing at all, and they are quite all right, thank you! I think a great many people had these psychic powers—doctors used to have the most wonderful intuitions. I read in the biography of Lord Hordeby, by his son that when he didn't know what was the matter with a patient he used to sit beside him and hold their hand until he died."

These have, of course, been books not related to her own life. The farthest away was, perhaps, *The Child from the Sea*, the story of Lucy Walter, who was the mother of Charles II's son, James, Duke of Monmouth. I didn't draw this from my own life at all, and I think it was almost the first book that wasn't influenced by the homes I have had. I paid two short visits to Pembroke, where Jessie had a cottage on the coast, and I had the most lovely holiday there. I went to St David's, one of the most wonderful places I have ever seen, and I think it was almost the first book that wasn't influenced by the homes I have had. I paid two short visits to Pembroke, where Jessie had a cottage on the coast, and I had the most lovely holiday there. I went to St David's, one of the most wonderful places I have ever seen, and I think it was almost the first book that wasn't influenced by the homes I have had.

Even if Elizabeth Goudge has not lived an adventurous life, she has inhabited those other worlds created by the writer's pen. "You can have a story in your brain heating to come out—or a certain character for whom you feel quite deeply. Your characters take over absolutely. I plan it out for them at the beginning, but they won't keep to it. I become obsessed with some character who comes into my mind—I didn't mean to write a book about this house, but I believe that a woman came in through the gate at the end of this path and that I saw her walk past, and she was Frongea, the heroine of *The White Witch*. Whether I saw a ghost or whether I imagined the whole thing I don't know. The first year we were here the gypsies

were camping on the field. I had never met any real gypsies before, and 20 years ago they had the painted caravans and the camp fires and they used to sing round them. There was an amazing old grandmother and I would look up and see this marvellous old face smiling at me through the kitchen window while I was doing the washing up—she went into my book just as she was."

The garden has been made over the past 20 years by Jessie Mouroe. It is full of roses and herbs, Miss Jessop's rosemary, peppermint (which smells of eau de Cologne) and the blue rue, which is the herb of grace. Jessie Monroe came to stay with Miss Goudge to help her through the time after her mother died. "I felt terribly alone—but it didn't last for more than a few months, because Jessie came"—a temporary arrangement which has lasted for more than 20 years.

Jessie has the warmth and generous enthusiasm so often found in those born with red hair, and the household is completed by Froda, latest in a line of much loved dogs. In Miss Goudge's books the dogs are always characters in their own right, and Froda, a three-year-old honey yellow Dandy Dinnont, is no exception. Dandy Dinnonts, originally Scottish badger hounds, are tough little diggers with steel jaws. An earlier dog once killed a passing stray cat, much to everyone's horror. She is a charming and amazingly heavy little creature, apparently either filled with concrete, or else rooted to the ground by four short legs.

The things that Elizabeth Goudge was taught at school have served her all her life. Her religious faith is an abiding one, though she has found it hard, and writes movingly of her struggle to reconcile her views on pain and suffering with the love of God. "I think how tremendously lucky I was to grow up with the people with whom I did—the greatest thing you can possibly be given is a father and mother who love each other, and a happy home." The Japanese anemones are flowering, and autumn, a favourite season, has come into the garden, and the grapes are ripening on the vine against the wall of the cottage which is Elizabeth Goudge's happy home.

Philippa Toomey

Leading young readers from mere verse to great poetry

the playground of children's verse landscape of poetry there lies a chasm. Everybody like the playground get nursery rhymes, like you get "The King's Breakfast" or "The Raggedy Man"; but not find their way out and across divide. It is said that their high us are lured away by siren singing "To Daffodils" and are under lamp-bound Selections from (with notes). By some attempts have been made a bridge by adopting the fairly expedient of building out from the id. Among the qualities that dream's verse so universally enjoy, rhythm and tumour, idiologies like Geoffrey Summerston—whose three volumes were ad reasons why Penguin Educational never have been allowed to die a great editor leading young root street-songs and graffiti to the greatest poetry there is. was precedent for *Voices in two thologies Dawn and Dusk* and *Early* (Brockhampton Press) by Charles Causley, who has d again in his recent *Puffin Magic Verse* (35p). As its title the book is more narrowly focused, but Mr Causley is in his interpretation of "magic" one suspects, to keep a foothold orld of children's rhymes. "The Wildness" (who asked of a many blackberries grow in the rubs shoulders with "La Belle us Merc" ; a popular reclamation arts with some of Robert Hergerie "charms" rather than editor (his funny bout Colonel Puzarklerly Butter at included in *Magic Verse*) Causley is also a representative of m hand who have tried to carry across the chasm by writing hat itself carries echoes of the nds—an altogether more difficult on than compiling anthologies. s most notable practitioners is lan r, a selection of whose work the last thirty years, has been d as *The Robin and the Wren* not very appropriately, by Kestrel



The Headless Gardener

A gardener, Tobias Baird, sent his head to be repaired; he thought, as nothing much was wrong, he wouldn't be without it long. Ten years he've weeded path and plot, a headless gardener, 'Tid was, always hoping 'hope is vain'. To see his noddle back again. Don't pity him for his distress—he never sent up his address.

A Fritz Wegner illustration from *The Robin and the Wren*.

Books, £1.75. The "childish" qualities are obvious: not just the dominance of Fritz Wegner's pictorial designs, which sometimes command more space than the verse, but also Mr Serrailleur's liking for the poetic treatment of nursery literature. He writes a five-verse set of variations on "The North Wind doth Blow" in his title poem, for instance, and he neatly verifies such fables as "The Rabbit and the Country Mouse"; a popular reclamation arts with some of Robert Hergerie "charms" rather than editor (his funny bout Colonel Puzarklerly Butter at included in *Magic Verse*) Causley is also a representative of m hand who have tried to carry across the chasm by writing hat itself carries echoes of the nds—an altogether more difficult on than compiling anthologies. s most notable practitioners is lan r, a selection of whose work the last thirty years, has been d as *The Robin and the Wren* not very appropriately, by Kestrel

from childhood. As well as lengthening and embroidering his sources, he gives them a modern, almost a conversational tone, which flattens out the "poetry" and prevents it from getting too lush or facile. "There is almost an echo of Dr Seuss in "What, sunflower that muck?" said the mouse from the town. "It would stick in my throat, it wouldn't go down."

This roughening of the surface is a skillful way of suggesting that poetry is more approachable than the schoolroom allows—a technique even more evident in Michael Rosen's *My Own Business* (Deutsch, £1.25) whose contents range from Old Ben Brown, a conversational ukelele with his trousers on, through the farcical saga of "My brother got married in a wimpy bar", to a group of poems where the artist's perception is intensified by the cheerful informality of his verse. Mr Rosen is happy to write whole poems as conversation pieces and he has a nice ear for the way kids speak (peas for breakfast please he said and a plateful of peas is what he got), his uninhibited enjoyment of the whole operation standing in sharp contrast to the well-meaning but rather stiffly jointed attempts of more famous poets to write "with young people in mind" (a phrase with more than a hint of condescension). These are the Chatto Poets for the Young, edited by Leonard Clark, a series in which four new contributors have just appeared (75p each). John Fuller's *Squeaking Crust* comes nearest to catching the energy of popular verse and his poem sequence for music "Fox-rot" probably comes over well in performance, but like two other volumes (D. J. Enright's *Rhyme Times Rhyme* and Phoebe Hesketh's *A Song of Nightlight*) the humour is often quirky rather than broad, and there are subtleties of allusion and phrasing which demand the response of a committed reader of poetry. Vernon Scannell's *The Apple-Rind* is perhaps the most successful book of the four "for young people" partly because it is not so self-conscious and partly because it seems more convinced as its author says, that he who reads no poetry or bread/is really in a devilish bad way.

Brian Alderson

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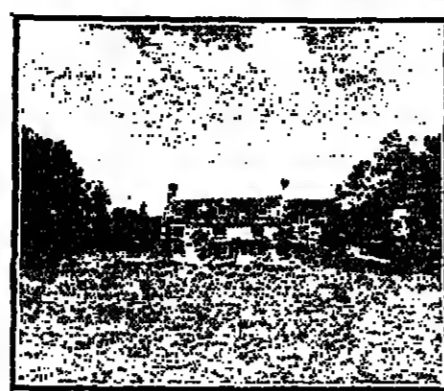


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President John Garner... obvious examples. Mr Ford looks like being another, and in nominating Mr Nelson Rockefeller to the vice-presidency he has chosen a man of unquestioned ability and broad experience.

Mr William Scranton, the former Governor of Pennsylvania. To that extent, the nomination was courageous. It was also wise.

PORTS IN ONE BASKET

who examines the record... other at the expense of their collective effort in competition with ports in other parts of Europe.

There are a number of issues raised by the document, however, which cannot command the same support as this principle.

ERING MOZAMBIQUE TO INDEPENDENCE

which in the delicate... out more fighting, will carry out his orders. He is expected to bring a majority of Frelimo members into a transitional government.

on the other, which has characterized most ex-colonies, will be avoided. But Guinea is a swampy backwater, Mozambique a complex country in a key strategic position.

Agricultural Hall

Department of the Environment was unwilling to meet any part of the cost of renovation and refurbishing.

neither of these countries have observed sobriety and social discrimination to be significantly less than they are here.

HMSO printing dispute

From Mr Lindsay Duncan... The essence of the letter of August 15 from the Head of Publishing, HMS Stationery Office seems to be: we cannot carry out our public duty to print Acts of Parliament because our printers are on strike and we will not get them printed outside in case we upset them.

Snobbery outside Britain

From Mr C. J. T. Parr... Sir, Who are Bryan Magee's amazed foreign observers? Having travelled on business in various countries since the war, and especially in Scandinavia, I have still to meet them.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Method of choosing bishops

From the Bishop of Southwark... Sir, Bishop Hanson (article, August 17) is of the opinion that the Church of England should choose its own bishops. Judging by the vote in the General Synod last July it would seem that many churchmen agree with him.

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From Lieutenant Colonel Robert Butler... Sir, So much has been written by people with no inside knowledge about Sir Walter Walker's intentions and the aim of the Civil Assistance organization he has founded that I ask the opportunity to set down, as one who has this knowledge, the precise facts.

Deployment of clergy

From the Rev A. G. Ward... Sir, The Church at Aotioch (Acts 13, verses 1 to 4) might have heeded arguments like those of Mr Martyn (August 16) against the lunacy of moving men from where the Church is most strongly represented.

Collapse of Court Line

From Mr Brian Sedgmore, Labour MP for Luton West... Sir, I deeply regret that your front page story on the Court Line collapse (August 17) could only have given your readers the impression that Ivor Clemenson (the MP for Luton East) was the critical Government role in the affair.

Ulster politicians

From Dr D. L. Armstrong... Sir, A main factor which has contributed to the growth in power of para military organizations in Ulster has been the migration of Ulster politicians. The press, the media and English politicians have amused themselves and pandered to the left wing of their parties by branding Ulster Unionist politicians as extremists, fanatics, bigots, or sinister and evil men.

Definition of charity

From Mr David J. F. Follock... Sir, Mr C. P. Hill, the former Chief Charity Commissioner (August 16), is unwarrantably sanguine in claiming that "the last vestige" of the 1601 Statute of Charitable Uses was repealed by its repeal in the 1950 Charities Act.

Conflict in Cyprus

From Mr Giles Watson... Sir, While Mr Stewart's letter of August 13 on life in Cyprus under Makarios was illuminating, I fear he is mistaken in claiming that Greek Cypriots refer to their mainland cousins as "squids".

Football hooliganism

From Mr Hugh Stewart... Sir, Chief Constables may take comfort from the fact that their problem has a long history.

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### COURT CIRCULAR

**BALMORAL CASTLE**  
August 20: The Lady Rose Baring has succeeded the Hon Mrs Morrison as Lady in Waiting to the Queen.

Princess Anne will attend the British Equine Veterinary Association's thirteenth annual congress at Southampton University.

Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, celebrates her birthday today.

Princess Alexandra will be present at a preview of Little Night Music, in aid of Populorum Council, at the Adelphi Theatre, London, on October 30.

The Duchess of Kent, patron of the Buckinghamshire branch of the British Red Cross Society, will open the festival of embroidery exhibition at High Wycombe Town Hall and later visit Wycombe March Paper Mills and then to the afternoon open St Paul's Church of England Mixed School at Woodburn.

The Hon Gerald Lascelles is 50 today.

Mrs David Maude-Roxby-Montalto di Fragno, of 82a Cadogan Place, S.W.1, gave birth to a son (Daniel) on August 6.

### University news

**London**  
Appointments  
Dr. J. E. Butler, MSc, PhD, FRCGS, Professor of Pathology at the Royal Free Hospital, has been appointed to the Chair of Pathology at the University of London.  
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### Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. E. Butler and Miss R. E. Wall. The engagement is announced between John Edward, second son of the late Dr Ernest Edward Butler, of Gamaru, New Zealand, and Mrs Ellen Dorothy Rutherford, of Five Forks, New Zealand, and Marsha Rowena Hilary, daughter of Group Captain Arnold Wall, of Nelson, New Zealand, and Mrs Phyllis Wall, of Merivale, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Mr J. C. Dimsdale and Miss R. E. Hamman. The engagement is announced between Jonathan Campbell, son of the late Mr J. R. Dimsdale and Mrs P. R. Piercy, and stepson of Mr M. H. Piercy, of Manyons, Barkway, Hertfordshire, and Rachel Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. M. Hamman, of Orchard Cottage, Bishop Monkton, Harrogate.

Mr J. F. C. Maxwell and Miss D. S. Spring. The engagement is announced between Jeremy, elder son of Mr and Mrs F. J. Maxwell, of Balfour House, Downpatrick, co Down, Northern Ireland, and Judith, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Spring, of Ballynadar, Enniscorthy, co Wexford, Republic of Ireland.

Mr P. M. Shephard and Miss A. Bakker. The engagement is announced between Paul, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Francis Shephard, of Lansley, Berkshires, and Angela, elder daughter of the late Mr J. Bakker and Mrs Bakker, of Tauranga, New Zealand.

Mr R. A. Stone and Miss S. James. The engagement is announced between Richard Anthony, only son of Mr and Mrs R. A. Stone, of 8 Pont Street, London, SW1, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ronald James, of Kloof, Natal, South Africa.

**Captain C. C. Wagstaff and Miss A. M. A. J. Coesens.** The engagement is announced between Captain Colin Wagstaff, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, and Miss A. M. A. J. Coesens, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, both of the Foresters Regiment, son of the late Captain N. J. Wagstaff, RN, and Mrs Wagstaff, of Holly Hill, Heights, Haslemere, Surrey, and Anne-Marie, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. F. Coesens, CBE, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, of Notre-Dame-au-Bois, Belgium.

## LSO having big fight to stretch out funds

By a Staff Reporter  
In spite of having a turnover of £50,000, the highest of all the country's orchestras, the London Symphony is having a great struggle to make ends meet. Stephen Reiss, the orchestra's administrator, said at a press conference yesterday to announce the results and future engagements. He said the orchestra depended on private support: a mere 13 per cent was contributed from public funds compared with half paid in arts organizations generally. The LSO had worked 612 sessions during the year, which meant that free days, apart from three weeks' holiday, had averaged less than one a week. "Players' fees had risen by less than 5 per cent compared with an increase of 25 per cent in those paid to conductors," he said. It is only because the London orchestras govern themselves that the players are willing to accept such "massochistic conditions", Mr Reiss said. "This makes it particularly galling to be told by a high official of the Arts Council that our approach is inflationary. London concerts are heavily subsidized by the players themselves and it is time this fact was properly recognized."

### Latest wills

Mr Horace Cyril Stapleton, of Primrose Hill, London, the last B&C resident dance band leader, left £9,103 net.  
Mrs Nellie Wickham, of Twyford, Hampshire, left £7,800 net.  
Miss Elizabeth, of 27, Avenue Road, London, left £3,200 net.  
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Other estates include (net before duty paid; further duty may be payable on some estates):  
Mr David Albert, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £78,653.  
Mrs Sidney Harold, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £239,725.  
Mrs Greenwood, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £402,029.  
Mrs Woking, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £47,122.  
Mrs Hill, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £128,113.  
Mrs Hill, of 12, Grosvenor Gardens, London, left £2,051.

## Romania's cultural revolution given teeth

By Gabriel Rosny  
Amid resounding Soviet block appeals for the spirit of détente in Europe, Romania's own brand of "cultural revolution" and ideological orthodoxy is growing apace. President Ceausescu's proclamation of his ideological theses launched Romania's cultural revolution in July, 1971. Now, three years later, the Council for Socialist Culture and Education—the country's cultural watchdog—has decreed that every cultural activity throughout the country must be subordinated to, or concerned with, two major events in the party's calendar. These are the thirtieth anniversary of the overthrow of General Antonescu's fascist dictatorship and the eleventh congress in November of the Communist Party.

This utilitarian view of the socialist function of literature leaves little doubt that those who do not toe the party line will never get into print since publishing is the monopoly of the Communist Party. Mr Virgil Teodorescu, editor of the official organ of the writers' union, has gone on record as saying that "in our society literature and art cannot be considered a personal and independent affair, they must, and does, exist in a compact literary and artistic front dictated by the evolution and the goals of this society". Editors, directors and readers of publishing houses have been warned by Mr Ion Dodu Balales, vice-chairman of the Council for Socialist Culture and Art, that ideological criteria must take precedence over aesthetic ones. "Editorial work," he stated "must be based on ever more rigorous selection. What we want is to reduce our mistakes to a minimum, to strengthen ideological vigilance and to enhance the personal responsibility of the publisher and of those who distribute books."

### Brazil's lawyers call for divorce reform

From a Special Correspondent Rio de Janeiro, Aug 19  
The Brazilian Bar Association has called for the legislation of divorce as a basic human right in this largely Roman Catholic country along with a list of other necessary reforms. The divorce issue stirred heated controversy at the Bar Association's national conference on "The Lawyer and Human Rights" which closed here this weekend. There were divergences over other themes covered by "social politics". A demand for amnesty for all political prisoners was postponed until the next conference [it is estimated that more than 1,000 political prisoners are being held in Brazilian jails].

### Rating inquiry

The independent committee under the chairmanship of Mr Frank Layfield, QC, which has been set up by the Secretary of State for the Environment to review the system of local government finance and to make recommendations, is inviting written evidence by the end of December. Any person or organization wishing to submit evidence should write to the Secretary, Committee of Inquiry into Local Government Finance, 2nd Floor, 1, Rochester Row, London SW1P 2RA, giving the date by which they intend to deliver it and (if applicable) whom they represent.

### 25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, August 24, 1949  
Emigrants leave  
The first emigrant ship to leave Britain carrying solely ex-service men, the Somersetshire, sailed from Liverpool for Australia last night with 550 ex-servicemen on board. The Somersetshire will be followed by other ships filled exclusively with ex-service men sponsored by the Returned Soldiers League of Australia and it is expected that next year the league's efforts will raise the total emigrants to about 50,000.

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A human face and a goat—two subjects from mosaic floors uncovered at a Byzantine church excavated at a farm 20 miles from Amman, capital of Jordan.

### Church news

**Diocese of Peterborough**  
The Rev. J. H. Newman, Vicar of St. Peter's, Peterborough, has been appointed to the vacant post of Vicar of St. Peter's, Peterborough.  
**Diocese of Rochester**  
The Rev. J. A. Randall, Curate of St. John's, Rochester, has been appointed to the vacant post of Vicar of St. John's, Rochester.  
**Diocese of Salisbury**  
The Rev. J. E. A. Cattell, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Salisbury, has been appointed to the vacant post of Vicar of St. Andrew's, Salisbury.

### Public lending right likely to be year away

By Our Arts Reporter  
It will take at least a year in set up the machinery to operate public lending right in the United Kingdom, it is introduced during the next session of Parliament. That was made clear this week after a further meeting between Mr Jenkins, minister responsible for the arts, and parties interested, including the Society of Authors and the militant Writers' Action Group.

### Birthdays today

Air Vice-Marshal W. F. MacNeice, 85; Major-General M. D. Gambia, 83; Lord Gormanston, 81; Major Sir Ernest Hartson, 81; Mr Malcolm Macmillan, 61; General Sir Richard O'Connor, 85; Sir James Dyer Simpson, 86; Professor J. N. Wright, 78.

### Today's engagements

Exhibition: George III: Collector and Patron, The Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace, 11 am-5 pm.  
RMS Belfast, floating naval museum, Pool of London, Vyne Lane, Barnet, 11 am-6 pm.  
Recital of music by Duo Anonka, Westminster Abbey, 12.30 pm.  
Morris dancing by the St Albans Morris Men, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster Abbey, 8 pm.

## OBITUARY

### DR R. S. B. PEARSON

Physician at King's College Hospital  
Dr. Bruce Pearson, honorary consulting physician to King's College Hospital, London, who died on Sunday at the age of 69, was one of that rapidly disappearing class of physicians who refused to be tied to a narrow speciality. He was equally at home in paediatrics, gastroenterology and allergic diseases, though it was in the last of these that he evinced a special interest in his latter years. Asthma also interested him. A pleasing bedside manner did much to put the patient's mind at ease—an attribute particularly valuable in dealing with children and allergic subjects.

### MR CLIVE GRAHAM

Clive Graham, "The Scout" of the Daily Express for more than 24 years, and racing correspondent of that newspaper for 43 years, died in the London Clinic yesterday. He was 61. He joined the Daily Express at the age of 18 from Eton in 1931, having twice won the school's divinity prize, and having been destined for the Church. But his love of horses and racing defeated his objections and he "arrived" in Fleet Street on the strength of a dream in which he saw a horse called "The Scout" winning the Lincoln, having persuaded Beverly Baxter, the then editor of the Daily Express, to give him a job on the racing desk.

### MISS I. PRESTWICH

A correspondent writes:  
Miss Irene Prestwich, who has died at the age of 90, will be remembered by thousands from all over the world as the hostess of "Tirley Garth", the beautiful country house in Cheshire which she had made available for the work of Moral Re-Armament.

### PROFESSOR ROBERT CRUICKSHANK

A correspondent writes:  
Professor Robert Cruickshank, whose admirable biography you published on Monday, ignored the dictum of his famous predecessor at St Mary's, Sir Alexander Fleming: "I have accepted a professorship in Scotland, you have to work far too hard." Hard work was part of his make-up, and conforming to Aberdeen tradition, he chose at the normal end of his career, like his fellow Aberdonians, to accept a professorship in Scotland, to exchange a comfortable British chair for a very hot seat in a tropical land rendering most notable service to the Commonwealth.

### Science report

### Palaeobotany: Progress of a desert

Plant remains preserved in a Nevada cave for 40,000 years have provided a team of American scientists with clues to the changing pattern of vegetation and climate in what is now the Mojave desert, according to Dr John Troughton of the Carnegie Institute at Stanford, California. Changes in the number of carbon atoms in the plants provide unique physiological corroborations for geological evidence of climatic changes between 30,000 and 40,000 years ago which transformed a juniper forest into a desert.

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The Hoxton Centre, with aid from Help the Aged, provides both. Friendship from hardworking young people like 'Kipper' who does a round among down and outs till the small hours; and Judith who gives old Mrs. White almost the only visits she gets. "Loneliness" says Judith, "can do terrible things to old people. We hope to show her that somebody cares."

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Bank of England hands more closure from non-clearers

Statistics and which are already subject to official credit controls... The Bank will be inviting a number of other deposit-taking institutions...

Technical rise recoups Monday's share losses

A technical rebound from the latest selling wave saw a recovery in both gilt and equities on the London stock market yesterday... The FT index up through the 200 mark once again.

Wage/price watchdog panel for US on way

From Frank Vogl Washington, Aug 20 President Ford's first legislative effort in the Congress has been with a swift and affirmative response... The Congress, in line with the President's request, has voted to establish a Council on Wages and Prices.

All Chrysler car output halted by tonight as pay strikes harden

By R. W. Shakespeare All Chrysler car production in Britain will be at a standstill by tonight... The American-owned company stated yesterday that because of labour disputes affecting component production at two of its Coventry factories, further 3,500 car assembly and body shop workers will be laid off at its Scottish plant at Linwood, Renfrewshire, today.

Rebuff to aid pleas for poultry and pig farms

By Hugh Clayton Pig and poultry farmers learnt yesterday that the Government had rejected all of their latest appeals for aid... The British Pig Producers' Federation, said after a meeting at the Ministry of Agriculture.

Hint of racial bias to Italy

Aug 20—Financial markets held here today... West Germany and the United States were 'extraordinarily' in official communication.

Wall Street wary on Rockefeller choice

From Our US Economics Correspondent Washington, Aug 20 Share prices after moving ahead in early trading, fell back later, though bargain hunting helped the market... The Dow Jones industrial average gained \$0.1 to 726.85.

Occidental seeks sale of VIP outlets

By Roger Vielvoxe Energy Correspondent Occidental Petroleum is negotiating to sell its 600 VIP petrol stations in Britain... Occidental is also in talks to improve the structure of collective bargaining as to bring about greater prices and wages restraint.

Shipyard chiefs plan anti-Benn campaign

By Peter Hill Senior shipbuilding executives will meet today to coordinate opposition to the plans of Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, for public ownership of the industry... The meeting of the council of the Shipbuilders and Repairers' National Association (SRNA) will be the first since the minister published his discussion document for the acquisition of these companies.

First big drop in farm values for 25 years

By Our Estates Correspondent Farm values in England and Wales are falling significantly for the first time in 25 years, according to Farmland Market, a review published jointly twice yearly by the Estates Gazette and Farmers Weekly... Farm sales worth more than £20m are listed and analysed for the first six months of the year.

INTERIM STATEMENT

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Venezuela puts book value limit on compensation

Caracas, Aug 20—Compensation to foreign oil companies for nationalized holdings may not exceed net book value of the property under a draft nationalization law announced today in Venezuela... Deductions from this amount would be made to cover depreciation, amortization and wear of equipment, social benefits of the industry's 22,000 workers, and amounts owed by oil companies to the government, or public entities.

Llanwrnyn trouble forces BSC to divert supplies

The British Steel Corporation is planning to switch supplies of finished steel from its strike-hit Llanwrnyn works in Wales for cold rolling at other BSC plants, a spokesman said last night... The strike, by 550 workers, has not affected steel production, but has halted output of cold rolled steel, used mainly by the car industry.

Booker group's £20m Sudan deal

Booker McConnell announced yesterday that its sugar machinery manufacturing subsidiary, Fletcher and Stewart, had won a contract worth around £20m for supply and construction of a complete sugar factory in Sudan... It will be built at Hagar el Asalaya, about 60 miles from the site of the Senaar sugar factory.

How the markets moved

Table showing market movements for various commodities and currencies, including Rises, Falls, and THE POUND section.

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Financial statement table for London Electrical and General Trust Limited, including Gross Revenue, Net Revenue, and Assets.

On other pages: Business appointments, Market reports, Share prices, etc.

# Surveyors predict dearer new homes

Higher prices for new homes because of inflationary trends in the building industry were forecast yesterday by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The joint quarterly survey on the experiences of estate agents to end-May, which is sponsored by the RICS and the Department of the Environment, was published yesterday.

The survey indicates that in the March-May period there was a levelling off in the existing housing market, with the percentage of agents reporting realised prices unchanged over the last six months, increasing from 33 per cent in February to 48 per cent.

The number of agents reporting lower prices than in the previous six months declined from 62 per cent to 45 per cent.

Although mortgages continued to be easier to obtain in June and July, Mr R. Thomas, of the RICS, pointed out that the question of the repayment of the Government loan would soon arise.

This could result in the reimposition of restrictions and a renewed threat of higher interest charges.

# N Zealand payments gap narrows in July

Wellington, Aug. 20.—New Zealand's payments deficit narrowed to NZ\$22.6m (about £13.9m) in July from a deficit of NZ\$26m in June, 1974. But for the year to July, 1974, the deficit was NZ\$39.16m, compared with a surplus of NZ\$29.7m in the year to July last year.

# Advertising & marketing

Work on the brochure which would run to between 1½ million and 2 million copies was completed and had not reached an advanced stage.

Advertising losses arising from the group's collapse will also be fairly small. The heaviest advertiser, Clarksons spent around £500,000 on press and television publicity last year, but most of this appeared in winter and spring. The bills arising from this have been paid.

Chris Churchill's Associates, the agency handling the account, said that it had been able to cancel practically all the advertising for next year.

The biggest impact on the agency will be on "low-threshold" promotions which it also handled for Clarksons.

# Sun Printers another Court Line loser

One of the biggest losers among companies involved with Court Line's promotion and publicity will be Sun Printers of Watford, the British Printing Corporation subsidiary.

Sun Printers had already started work on the giant 175-page brochure for Court Line's Arkosce Holidays for next summer. It had won the contract valued at about £250,000 away from a German printing concern which had handled it for a number of years.

However, executives at Sun said yesterday that only a small proportion of the total value of the contract would be claimed.

# Machine tool Neddy calls for swift action to smooth investment flows

Government and industry were urged yesterday to take immediate action, based on the findings of a new report from the National Economic Development Office, designed to counter the effects of the near downward investment trend in the United Kingdom engineering capital goods industries.

The report, which concentrates on the experience of ten industries, suggests ways, including setting up either voluntary or compulsory investment reserve schemes, to smooth out the peaks and troughs of cyclical investment trends.

Launching the report, Mr Anthony Frodsham, chairman of the Little Neddy for machine tools—the industry hardest hit by order fluctuations on the home market—said the industry was still in the middle of a boom with full order books.

But the next slump was round

the corner and would mean employees lost to the industry; less attraction for good people to return to it; doubts from the City and financial institutions, and more activity by importers during the near upswing.

He added: "We must get action as soon as possible."

The suggestions put forward by NEDO to achieve a shift in investment timing include ad hoc systems such as variable government grant schemes and the introduction of government "bonuses" designed to encourage investment over a limited period.

Investment reserve schemes being studied include the Swedish system which has been under discussion in the United Kingdom machine tool industry for a number of years.

Essentially, the proposals would set aside a proportion of their earnings in any year to a special reserve and encouraged to use it during a recession and discouraged at other times.

Tax concessions would be granted and NEDO advocates that the Government should decide, in consultation with an independent body, when a recession situation existed.

Although the report expresses no preference, Mr Frodsham said he believed an attractive voluntary scheme could be built up.

The report is described as a discussion paper, and goes before other little Neddy groups representing users or suppliers in the relevant industries, and possibly will be considered by the National Economic Development Council.

Among the first to welcome the report was the Machine Tool Trades Association, which has been discussing the problem further with other industry sector trade associations in September and October.

# NIOC signs joint exploration pact

Teheran, August 20.—A contract was signed today between the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) and a joint company formed by the Ashland Co of the United States and Canada's Pan Canadian Oil Co.

The contract covers 7,247 sq kilometres in the North Lar area, in the Fars province of Central Iran. The contract is similar to the previous ones signed with CFP and Deminex of West Germany.

The state-owned oil company granted the contract on the receipt of a cash bonus of \$6.25m (about £2.5m). The American-Canadian company will spend a minimum of \$25m on exploration activities over a period of five years.

# Start on first pit in 10 years

A start was made yesterday on Britain's first new coal mine for 10 years—at Betws, near Ammanford, in South Wales.

Mr Wilfrid Miron, National Coal Board member for South Wales, started the machinery that will sink a drift mine designed to yield 380,000 tons of anthracite a year from 1976.

The project will cost about £6m and will provide work for 40 men for a minimum of 14 years. The mine will use the latest mechanical equipment and output a manshift is expected to be 5cwt, double the national average.

Drift mining involves sinking a diagonal tunnel rather than a vertical shaft, making extraction operations easier and cheaper.

# Travel company owes £134,000

Debts of £134,000 were disclosed at the first meeting of creditors of Pacesetter Travel in London yesterday. Mr Leslie Bates, the official receiver, said they included £38,000 owing to 323 people who had paid deposits on tours and air travel. Assets, including a racehorse worth £1,200, were estimated at £8,000.

Mr Bates said creditors would get back only a small part of their money. He would hold an investigation into the company's affairs and if there had been any "wrongdoing" he would report the matter to the appropriate authority.

The company, formed in 1969 with an issued capital of £5,000, was wound up on July 22.

# Japan to reply on air route ban

Japanese Government leaders yesterday were considering action in retaliation for a British decision to restrict Japan Air Lines flights to Hongkong.

An official of the transportation ministry in Tokyo said an announcement would be made by the middle of September.

From September 15 JAL is to be prohibited from picking up passengers at Hongkong for Singapore. The department of transport announced that the ban was being imposed because of the Tokyo Government's refusal to allow Cathay Pacific Airways, a Hongkong-based British airline, to open a service via Osaka in Japan, to Seoul, in accordance with the terms of the bilateral air service agreement.

The reason given by the Japanese was a noise problem at Osaka airport.

# Butter from France

A new French butter is being launched on the British market this week by Adams Foods. Called Double Churn, it is a salted sweet cream butter specially developed for the United Kingdom by Francexps.

Patricia Tisdall

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# Business appointments

## Chairman at The Tilley Lamp Company

Mr Norman A. Whitaker, managing director of The Tilley Lamp Company, has been appointed chairman of the retirement of Mr B. Tilley, who still remains on the company's board.

Sir Charles Johnston, who was recently elected chairman of Australian Estates, has been made managing director.

Mr Michael Inoka, managing director of Rosetti & Co, an EMI subsidiary, has been appointed chairman in addition to his existing responsibilities. Mr Michael Cowan, sales director, becomes assistant managing director. The director is Mr David Simas. Rosetti will continue to form part of Mr L. G. Wood's overall responsibilities. EMI group director, records and music.

Mr A. Webb, managing director of Racial Slough, has been promoted to deputy chairman. Succeeding him as managing director is Mr J. Englewood, who will continue as managing director of Racial Instruments.

Mr J. R. Cattle, founder and chairman of Cattle's (Holdings), has been elected first president of the company.

Three new appointments to the board of Leasing Companies Co are: Mr A. C. Bloomer, Mr C. Buckley and Mr R. A. Whitehouse.

Mr J. W. C. Poole and Mr P. H. Ryan, of Thomas Tillgo, and Mr R. H. Dennis, deputy managing director of a subsidiary of the parent company, have joined the board of Spencer (Banbury). Mr Poole was also appointed chairman of the board.

Mr S. L. J. Ryan, of W. Smith and Mr G. V. Treloar have resigned from the board.

Mr Alan Miller has been appointed chairman of Gales and Co. Mr Douglas Ormston becomes managing director.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Monetary policy: the way to recession

From Professor D. Laidler Sir, In his commentary on the House of Commons expenditure committee's report on "Public Expenditure, Inflation, and the Balance of Payments" (The Times, August 14, Mr Tim Congdon writes that "at the present juncture... inflationary expectations have become so general that slowing monetary growth to a 3 or 4 per cent annual rate will inevitably bring unemployment and a recession in its wake."

One might therefore expect him to agree with my evidence to that committee that the current conduct of monetary policy is likely to lead to a severe recession by next year.

When I prepared that evidence, data up to the end of March, 1974, showed that the growth rate of M3 had fallen from a peak of over 32 per cent per annum in the second quarter of 1973 to 12 per cent per annum in the first quarter of 1974.

These data also showed that, having grown by about 12 per cent in the twelve months up to mid 1973, M1 had actually fallen in the next nine months.

However, Mr Congdon tells us that "most bankers in the City would have no hesitation in describing Professor Laidler's evidence... as misleading. Credit has not been tight recently... because banks have increased their acceptance business and reduced arbitrage. These are not details which an academic could know about."

I do know about these details, and have had it put to me by bankers that the rate of monetary expansion has fallen more because of customers' unwillingness to borrow than because of banks' unwillingness to lend.

I think I recognize in these arguments that most venerable of all errors of economic analysis—the "real balance doctrine"—a fallacy that has been popular with bankers since at least the 1970s, and I disagree with them.

If we look around us we notice the following symptoms: industry is complaining about liquidity and cutting plans in order to meet cash positions; mergers and acquisitions are being carried out at the prices of the unsold dwellings; rationing is taking place in direct government buildings; credit interest rates are at record levels; the unemployment rate is at a fifteen per cent level.

Are these not all signs of a monetary contraction beginning to have effects? The next year or so whether or not my the Commons Com misleading. For the stand by it. The recession is now almost expected will be result of the monetary contraction that has begun.

D. LAIDLER, Faculty of Econ Social Studies, University of Mao.

## How the private sector can withstand future gloom

From Mr A. J. Merrett and Mr Allen Sykes Sir, It is apparent that the year 1974-75 will be one of unparalleled difficulty for British stock exchanges at the beginning of the year (and therefore lower in cost than those actually purchased during the year). It is introduced into charging current costs. Company profit and loss accounts are thus out of charge with the actual amounts which companies have expended on stock purchases.

In 1973, this anomaly in accounting resulted in most trading profits being overstated by nearly 40 per cent. The cost to company liquidity may well have been as high as £1 billion in additional taxes.

Moreover, this tax burden is falling most heavily upon the companies most affected by inflation, namely those in manufacturing industry since these are the main possessors of high physical stocks.

In our view, British industry cannot go through what we believe to be the most difficult financial year since the 1930s while meeting these massive tax burdens.

The need is to retrogressive effect, can system of opt for "last in first out" system, which, by the stock used, will be effectively charged something like cost and avoids the absurdity of our present tax, which is a general reduction in the value of the stock. This is much to the benefit throughout the sector, and does not mean that it is most manufacturing industry.

We would suggest Government confer with the CBI to obtain the assistance of the Committee that you would not seriously larger reforms: this to be adopted (an improbable event, then announces its bringing in this return session of the year. A. J. MERRETT and ALLEN SYKES, 9 Downs Road, Epsom, Surrey.

## Quotation of prices on goods concerned with

From Mr N. J. Elliott Sir, It is very hard for retailers to please certain members of the public from the inception of VAT our Company quoted prices net of VAT (as well as the inclusive figure), so that customers would know how much they were being charged. It will be recalled that when VAT was introduced it was necessary to refund the purchase tax: our method of showing the tax-free price separate from the tax, whatever it should be, was praised by the DTI at the time: our customers could know that they were being charged the right tax.

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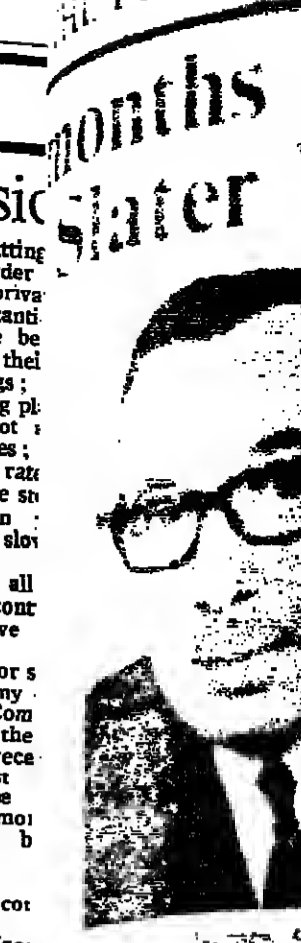
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## BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR Six months of change at Slater Walker



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Aaronson's venture, boards, laminate, etc. in the D.V. trade, which is fairly resilient to a bearish consumer spending trend, and the remaining off-take is well spread among furniture makers and the building and fitting trades.

Interim: 1973-74 (1973-73)  
Capitalization £6.2m  
Sales £9.1m (£7.4m)  
Pre-tax profits £1.22m (£1.17m)  
Dividend gross 0.67p 10.65p

**F. J. Wallis**  
Relying on volume growth

F. J. Wallis's figures for the six months to June 29 give little guidance on what the profit picture will look like by the end of 1974. While his share price has come back with the stock market, a halving to 40p inside, where the market is asking whether the fundamentals upon which Wallis's superb growth record has been built were now completely different.

What we do know is that in the opening weeks of 1974 trading was some 22 per cent poorer, while after six months turnover rose out 32 per cent higher but profit has barely improved. Given that Wallis enjoyed a greater sales area with three new supermarkets opened by the end of June, the improvement in turnover helped by higher prices is hardly surprising, even though its customers presumably had less to spend during the three-day week. Where Wallis has been hit is in the vital area of margins, where the turnover to retailers' gross margins under the counter-inflation regulations has clearly hit deeply.

If, then, Wallis is to continue operating in the kind of climate where margins are going to be pared to the bone, it is going to have to rely more than ever on volume growth to keep profits moving ahead, and on this front it is opening another seven supermarkets during the second six months.

That said, Wallis's forecast of a maximum increase in its dividend this year, pointing to a yield of 7.3 per cent, may indicate confidence about the final profit outcome. But there are historic p/e ratios of 6.7, is certainly looking for some growth from Wallis, and any failure to deliver would be punished.

Interim: 1974 (1973)  
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to £1.55m. So after six months, not only are overall CTS profits 40 per cent ahead of the total for the whole of last year at £7.02m, but the expectation must be that a rapid rate of progress will be continued and that one should be looking for at least £12m by the year end.

AMC benefited both from active metal markets, thanks to two-way prices and still high demand, and from good results from the United States steel fabricating activities. Aluminium smelting in Bahrain was production of 120,000 tonnes of metal annually from a smaller sitting on top of the world's biggest oil/gas fields has its points—while demand for the metal in the United Kingdom and Europe has held up well against rubber and steel.

At CTS, smelter charges have been put on to a realistic basis at least, with a new base being established. A somewhat unexpected bonus is that the provision for 1974 of £7.5m in the 1972 accounts arising from the liquidation of Williams Harvey now looks as though it will be largely recovered over the next couple of years or so.

At 170p, CTS is selling at less than twice prospective earnings and yields 10 per cent on the expected full restoration of the dividend, with a further 10 per cent discount. That the merger will eventually take place is in little doubt, but the difficulty lies in both the timing and the terms. As the prey, AMC would seem to have a slight advantage in investment terms but both shares should at least hold their prices in the short term.

**Clayton Dewandre Defying the pessimists**

It is far from clear—the stock market at least—how competitive suppliers to the motor industry can go on maintaining such a bold front. Car production was down by 10 per cent in the first half of this year and commercial vehicle production by 8 per cent, yet order books have been and still are at a high level.

Not is it just the replacement markets which thrives. Onas Woodhead was last month pointing to record demand from the commercial vehicle industry and now Clayton Dewandre, having shrugged off the three-day week with a 13 per cent profit rise, is telling the same story. That was far enough ahead of market expectations to see the shares 5p higher at 43p and to send analysts scurrying to revise their earlier estimates of a sharp downturn for the full year into a useful upturn of perhaps £25,000 or more. Assuming £2.5m, the shares are thus selling on a prospective p/e of around 4.

Clayton has obviously been performing well overseas, with the Indian associate's profits almost double at £24,000. But the surprise factor has been the relative strength of domestic demand. Goods vehicle registrations in the United Kingdom are, it is true, well down, but the manufacturers' production for the export market rose by 15 per cent in the second quarter.

European markets have held up much better than the United Kingdom so far, and although Clayton is not a direct exporter to most of Europe, the export prospects for its customers are recently bright enough to add more interest to the shares than has recently seemed justifiable.

Interim: 1974 (1973)  
Capitalization £4.9m  
Sales £14.0m (£11.7m)  
Pre-tax profits £1.31m (£1.16m)  
Dividend gross 2.4p (2.25p)

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Above all, they feel that the creation of a National Ports Authority is unnecessary. Most of the powers the Mulley proposals would confer on the Government are already contained in the Harbours Act of 1964 which, among other things, gives the Minister for Transport the power of veto on such schemes as the Port of London Authority's grandiose proposals for Maplin.

Their opposition to reorganization might have been stronger had Mr Mulley's pronouncement not been so vague; some even suspect that the Minister's heart is not in the project. They would like to know who would form the nucleus of the new National Ports Authority; would it be the British Transport Docks Board, or the National Ports Council, or a jott of faceless civil servants from Whitehall?

One other largely unspoken fear of the industry is that to have one overarching authority would mean in effect one employer for the whole industry, and that would mean a much easier task for the Transport and General Workers Union in negotiating national dock strikes. In other circles, this fear is dismissed as absurd.

But the Labour Government clearly does not agree with such objections. Quite apart from a political commitment to nationalization, it sees a need to inject a far greater degree of efficiency into the industry which can bring the country to its knees more quickly than almost any other.

## Why the Bank of England is asking more questions



Ian Morison spells out the tasks facing George Blunden (left) at the Bank of England in his new role of supervising the banking system

When in doubt, ask for more statistics. That, at any rate, was the response of the more cynical members of the banking fraternity in yesterday's call by the Bank of England for further information about the financial position of banks and deposit-taking institutions. In more cynical quarters still, references were being made to the shutting of stable doors.

An unfair reaction, of course, but understandable all the same. For it should never be forgotten that the secondary banking crisis which has made this exercise necessary was in large measure the result of an unsupervised expansion of banking and quasi-banking business made possible by an indiscriminate use of manure expansion on the part of the Bank of England itself.

That being said, it is clear that the Bank, like the rest of the City, is now doing its utmost to ensure that history does not repeat itself. In addition to coping with the short-term problem of manning rescue operations since the collapse of London & County Securities last November, it has already recognized the longer-term needs of the situation by merging its Discount Office with the Chief Cashier's Department and giving Mr George Blunden overall responsibility for the supervision of the banking system. Yesterday's announcement must be seen as a further step along the long road to a truly effective supervisory system.

To judge how much help the extra information will be to Mr Blunden and his team, one must first draw attention to the shortcomings in the present reporting system. Broadly speaking, the Bank currently requires bank-keeping statistics for three different purposes. The first is to allow it to paint as accurate a picture as possible of overall developments in the financial system. The second is to make certain that its monetary controls are properly enforced. The third, and by far the least formalized, is to help ensure that the business of banking is being conducted prudently.

The facts and figures published in the Bank's monthly banking statistics, and consolidated and simplified in its Quarterly Bulletin, almost all fall into the first and second of these three categories. They are gathered together by the Bank's Economic Intelligence Department and have traditionally provided the factual basis on which the Chief Cashier's Department sets out to control the generation of credit in the economy. It only needs a casual glance through the statistical section of the Bulletin to show how comprehensive this material now is. But a slightly longer look shows how relatively little use it is in deciding whether banks are sound or not.

Until the recent organizational changes within the Bank, the responsibility for ensuring that banks were soundly run lay with the Discount Office, as an adjunct to its traditional function of supervising the discount market and red-counting bills. A staff of a couple of dozen or so had the impossible task of keeping a weather eye on some 150 banks operating in Britain—and even that figure excludes the 150 or so foreign bank branches with which they were also concerned. Inevitably, they had to rely heavily on annual reports supplemented on an ad hoc basis with the evidence of informal contacts.

The new information which the Bank is now seeking highlights the gaps in its present knowledge. It knows very little about the maturity pattern of the banks' sterling deposits and advances—far less, indeed, than about their foreign currency

business. It knows very little about the amounts that have been set aside for bad or doubtful debts or investments. Contingent liabilities which do not show up on a balance sheet—such as standby facilities—are also an area of massive official ignorance.

Without such information, it is impossible to tell whether a bank is strong or weak. A bank can have a superficially strong balance sheet with a high ratio of capital and reserves to deposits, and still be "weak" if it is financing long-term loans, inadequately secured loans or equity investments on the back of volatile, short-term money market deposits.

It follows that the use to which the new information is put is far more important than the actual questions that the Bank chooses to ask. At the moment, it seems, there is little likelihood that it will be used as the basis for a dirigiste structure of formal banking control ratios; it is more likely that Mr Blunden and his team will continue to rely on the essentially informal touch-works, nods and all—that typified the operations of the Discount Office in the past. But there can be no doubting that the Bank's advice will be provided more forcefully.

The exclusion of branches of foreign banks from the reporting exercise is significant. The accounts of a branch, of course, makes little sense in the absence of the accounts of the whole bank. But their exclusion also underlines the Bank's view that the supervisory responsibility for foreign banks' London branches must rest with the regulatory authority in the country of origin. Whatever international agreements may or may not be in the future, the control of the Eurocurrency markets, yesterday's move has nothing directly to do with them.

An interesting type of information that the Bank will be seeking relates to the dealings of banks with associated companies. One of the more disturbing aspects of the secondary banking crisis was the scope it revealed for banks and near-banks to use their position of financial advantage to help finance non-banking activities in the same stable. Anything which helps to ensure that an arms-length approach is maintained between banks and their consumers most, in principle, is a good thing if further collapses are to be avoided.

What yesterday's announcement did not say is that clearing banks and their subsidiaries are being excluded from the exercise. This is a legitimate reflection of their special position in the banking system but it does not mark an official decision to allow them to go their own sweet way. For they will also be taking part in talks with the Bank of England with a view to reaching a measure of agreement on appropriate banking ratios.

It is worth repeating that ratios and controls appropriate to one type of bank may be nonsensical if applied to another. For that reason, it is right that the Bank of England should gear its reporting requirements and eventual expectations to the circumstances of the institutions with which it is dealing. A certain amount of standardization is essential, especially within subsections of the banking industry. But rigid uniformity is pointless.

How the development of banking controls evolves from now on remains to be seen. Stricter controls are acknowledged to be essential and they will probably involve drawing some fairly rigid lines between different types of banking institution. With luck, the new information in the Bank of England's hands should help to ensure that the process of control is rather more rational than it has been in the past.

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pected to be completed today. Although nobody is keen to talk figures, Business Diary's Rusk Davies learnt last night that the sum paid by Tozer is in fact not only less than what it cost Court to acquire full control but less even than the £825,000 cash it paid Price & Pierce for its 60 per cent.

An unusual feature of the deal is that Tozer chairman Kenneth Thorogood and Price & Pierce chairman insisted as a condition of sale that they take on the obligations as well as the ownership of OSL.

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## Maybrook Properties Limited

Year to 25th March	1972	1973	1974
	£	£	£
Gross Revenue	689,863	796,181	823,599
Net Profit attributable to Shareholders	221,827	250,973	257,293
Net Assets	4,095,815	4,547,813	4,861,536
Dividend per share	1.837p	2.205p	2.216p*
Net Assets per share	899p	£1.10p	£1.18p*

\*Maximum permissible under existing government restrictions.

Net profit increased slightly in spite of increased interests and higher taxes. Cost of projects under construction all financed, just over £5m. in U.K. and £5.6m in Belgium—those in planning stage a further £20m. over 5 years. The Company is edapting well to changing conditions and well able to maintain its position and ready to make rapid progress when conditions improve. The above points are from the Statement of the Chairman, Mr. Luke E. Manoussou, B.Sc., F.R.I.C.S.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Sydney shares dip to 10-year 'low' on collapse of Mainline group

By Andrew Wilson
A 10-year 'low' was seen on the Sydney Stock Exchange yesterday following the appointment of a receiver for the Mainline Corporation property...

Exchange to ask for an explanation.
In 1973, Mainline made pre-tax profits of \$4.86m (£2.68m) of which 48 per cent was attributable to the construction interests...

costs had been escalating at 2 per cent a month. The value of local contracts was put at \$300m last month, while there is a \$30m capital programme to the United States...

Stock markets

Strong rally lifts share prices

A technical rally, perhaps not wholly unexpected on the stock market, proved stronger than expected, and share prices recouped their losses of the previous day...

With trading results due today, shares in Tube Investments gained 5p to 180p. Hawker Siddeley (185p) moved ahead in their trade...

Other features included Clayton Dewandre, boosted by good first half profits, and Horizon Midland, whose shares were active, although finally unchanged on the day at 11p.

AMERICAN TRUST

Mid-year taxable revenue improved from £660,000 to £794,000; attributable, £479,000 (£424,000); Net asset value a share 33.1 (32p). Figures include Crescent Life Assurance.

ALFRED FREEDY

First-quarter figures are 'excellent' and Mr H. Freedy expects good year.

SIEBE GDRMAN

Mr G. D'Arcy Biss, writes that after 10 years of increased profits further progress expected this time. Incoming orders so far are well ahead.

ELLIS (RICHMOND)

Out of turnover of £5.99m (£5.24m) pre-tax profit up from £171,000 to £194,000 last term. Earnings were 1.86p (1.89p) a share and dividend 1.54p (1.47p).

J. E. SANGER

Chairman in his first annual report says that uncertainty and difficulties continue in most business, and turnover for first three months has fallen substantially on same period for last year.

SMITH (WHITWORTH)

Out of turnover of £1.02m (£935,000) pre-tax last year down from £66,000 to £27,000. Debit adjustment of £21,000 in 1973-74.

CIRO HDGCS

Business in current year satisfactory with turnover to date ahead of writes Mr Vladimir Khorochi, in review.

THOS MARSHALL INV

Mr T. Donald Parr, chairman, says in report current progress has been up to expectations and board intends to raise dividend by full 12 per cent this year.

DUBOFF-NILTON ESTATES

On July 22 Duboff Bros disposed of 100,000 shares in Nilton Estates.

SANTA ROSA MILLING

Liquidator expects funds to be insufficient for final distribution.

DELLENNE (CEYLON) TEA

Loss for 1973, £11,000 (£11,300), Messrs T. C. and P. F. C. Snowden in report. Nine-month net £112.5m (£122.8m) from sales of 51,727.8m (£1,446m).

DEERE & CO

Third quarter profits of this United States farm and industrial tractor manufacturers was down from \$50.7m to \$46.5m (£19.1m). Sales were higher at \$682.7m (£536.9m). Nine-month net \$112.5m (£122.8m) from sales of 51,727.8m (£1,446m).

M & G FAR EASTERN

Final distribution on income units for 48-week accounting period to August 18 will be 0.224p net per unit, payable October 10.

ECONA

Group has acquired Crompton Shipments from S-tour from Ayrshire Metal Products.

1974 1973

Table with 3 columns: Metric, 1974, 1973. Rows: Turnover (£7,435,278 vs £4,054,696), Trading profit (£903,544 vs £434,303), Earnings (£405,452 vs £250,812), Earnings per 10p share (15.5p vs 10.5p), Earnings per 10p share adjusted to new imputation system tax basis (8.0p).

Prospects

It is particularly difficult to forecast profits for the current year, given the great uncertainties prevailing. We take heart from our performance so far this year, but we undoubtedly live in times when flexibility and management awareness are at a premium.

A copy of the report and accounts may be obtained from: The Secretary, G. M. Firth (Metals) Limited, Wallis Street Works, Camerary Road, Bradford B08 9PP, Telephone Bradford 491441

Newarthill slows, but expects £4.2m for year



Mr Oswald Davies, chairman and managing director of Lennard Fairclough: profits growth slows down.

Fairclough fear Cyprus hotels loss

By David Mott
Apart from 'inevitable' losses from its hotel operations in Cyprus, the Leonard Fairclough building contracting and engineering group experienced a slow-down in profit growth in the half to June 30.

After a 44 per cent leap to a record £3.4m last year, expansion in the current first six months—which included the three-day week—led to a 9 per cent giving a pre-tax of £1.76m. Turnover rose 26 per cent to £44.6m. Higher tax, etc, cut the 'attributable' to £207,000 from £921,000, and basic earnings to 12.8p (13.6p) a share.

Mr Oswald Davies reveals that turnover increased both in the United Kingdom and overseas; work in hand remains satisfactory, and prospects are encouraging. Liquidity and cash flow are both 'strong'.

On Cyprus he says the directors are not yet able to quantify the loss, but have excluded the operation from the present result. But whatever the outcome the board is satisfied that liquidity and future prosperity will not be 'significantly affected'.

Centrovincial close to £1m pre-tax

In reporting full-time profits before tax and development interest up 99 per cent to £296,000, Centrovincial Estates also gives news that an independent valuation of its investment properties as at March 31 total some £45.8m, showing a surplus of some £1.5m. This excludes those properties purchased during the year in America and the Netherlands and some minor properties in Britain.

Group net assets, including properties at the new valuation, but not providing for tax, amounts to £30.3m, equal to 197.3p against 191.1p a share. Pre-tax profits this time round include dealing profits of £359,000 against £334,000 and after interest payable more than doubled from £697,000 to £1.4m.

DIVER ENGINEERING

Plans to strengthen engineering side, plus further action, should give sound basis for future trading. Order books 'very firm' and fresh large contracts recently obtained.

Commodities

Sugar rises by £10 to £310

The London daily SUGAR price rose today by £10 to a record £310 a long ton yesterday, reflecting the strong tone of futures which were firmly locked at limit-up throughout early morning.

There was no fresh news, but dealers noted good trade-buying during Monday night's curb and at yesterday morning's opening which attracted speculative interest and short-covering. Near Oct—not governed by limits—gained £20 from Monday's price to £112.5m (£122.8m) from sales of 51,727.8m (£1,446m).

Formed in 1972 to acquire the business of Sir Robert McAlpine & Sons, Newarthill, the construction property and investment group which last year produced taxable profits of £4.21m on turnover up from £79m to £92m, ran out of steam in the first half of this year. Profits show only slight growth and the board says the outlook for the full year to end October is unlikely to be materially different from that of last year.

Houchin reins in to ease liquidity

Shares of Houchin, Kent-based maker of ground equipment for aircraft, dropped 8p to 24 1/2p yesterday on a liquidity warning following a profits setback and dividend cut.

On turnover slightly down from £2.3m to £2.1m, pre-tax profit dropped from £377,000 to £205,000 for the year to April 30, while per-share earnings faded from 9.9p to 6.6p. The dividend is sliced from 5p to 2.99p, with waivers on a 1.05m share repurchase plan to provide the group's cash position.

Houchin's board explains that with the rapidly increasing cost of wages and materials, the group faced much larger values of material stocks must also be held in order to meet demand in the months ahead, and it was not desirable to rely too heavily on external finance.

Beaver in £750,000 deal with Petrofina offshoot

Beaver Group, the Buckingham-based paint group, is selling the E. & F. Richardson paint business to Sigma Coatings, a member of the Petrofina group, for £750,000 in cash payable in two stages and depending on current trading results.

Michalinos & Gen Inv

Due to its small size and lack of marketability of its shares the board of Michalinos & General Investment have recommended voluntary liquidation and a meeting is being held on September 17. After allowing for the estimated expenses of liquidation, the net asset value applicable to each 'A' and 'B' share as at August 12 was about 83 pence of total assets was held in cash. If shareholders agree to the winding up, the board say it will be possible to declare an interim distribution at an early date.

Zinc Alloy replies

Replying to the circular from Lord Heskest demanding radical change in Zinc Alloy Rust-Proofing's policy, Mr Reginald Petrie, chairman, advises members to vote against moves to

appoint two additional directors at the forthcoming annual meeting. (Hesketh Finance, with over 20 per cent, is the largest shareholder.)

Carroll's celebrate with scrip

Ireland's leading cigarette and tobacco group this year celebrated its 50th anniversary and the occasion is marked with a one-for-three scrip issue. The company, which is also heavily involved in the chemical industry, is to pay a final dividend of 28 per cent less tax, making 40 pence net (32 per cent) on £1.1m to £1.7m for the year to June 30 and group pre-tax profit was slightly higher at £3.55m (£3.1m). Tax was £1.6m (£1.4m), leaving £1.7m (£1.6m). Earnings per share come out at 14.07p (13.32p).

Martin Ford set for fresh record

Ladies' separates and outerwear group, Martin Ford, appears set once again for a record year. In the opening spell to June 1 profits more than maintained the preceding year's 14 per cent growth rate with a 15 per cent climb to £454,000 pre-tax, on turnover up 22 per cent to £1.78m. While the going is tough, the company is in a 'strong' financial position and making good progress. Two new outlets were opened recently, a further two will be opened soon, and other units are under negotiation. The half-time payment is raised from 1.25p to 1.49p.

Golden handshake by Metropole

In the year to March 31 taxable profits of Metropole Industries (now chaired by Mr Brian Fulwell) rose from £122,000 to £128,000, on turnover up from £1.9m to £2.17m. But the attributable profit emerged at £15,000 (against £149,000) after deducting £132,000 compensation for loss of office.

There are Corporation Tax losses of about £200,000 available to be carried forward. As known, there is to be no ordinary dividend, but in the board's view continued growth is assured.

Last November Mr G. G. E. Meyer resigned as chairman.

Restmor higher

A strong second half has helped boost both profits and turnover of Restmor Group, the Surrey-based baby carriage makers, to fresh peaks in the year to April 30. Following a fairly steady performance in the first half the second leg produced a profit gain from £164,000 to £208,000 which helped push the full-time taxable profits up by 20 per cent to £407,000. Turnover moved up from £3.45m to £3.6m. The final dividend is to be 4.25p making the full year's payment 5.5p against 5.25p and shareholders are being given an option to receive the final payment in shares or cash.

Issues & Loans

£4m Essex Water offer

Essex Water Company is coming to the market with an offer for sale by tender of £4m of 10 per cent redeemable preference stock 1979.

By the standards of recent water company issues this one is very large. But the last issue to the market, the £1m offering by York Waterworks Company in May, carried a similar coupon and proved to be very popular with investors.

It was nearly four times subscribed and the average tender price was £102.75 per cent. It is still being quoted at around that level.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Table listing Eurobond prices for various countries and maturities. Columns include Country, Maturity, and Price.

RFD hopes for settlement with Tranmere holders

The board of RFD hopes to reach a settlement before long with certain former shareholders of Tranmere Textiles, who are claiming a rescission of the contract to acquire their shares and damages, on an alleged overstatement of profits for 1972-73.

had offered after the mid-September out-principal' minutes. It was before long 'we' to reach a satisfactory settlement in this matter. Avon Rubber, with 22 per cent of the agreed to pay for a report to RFD. Methods of accelerated return to full profits has agreed to Av for two nominees 0

Wall Street

New York, Aug 20.—Wall Street stocks closed higher today in a bouncing session.

The Dow Jones industrial average advanced 5.01 to 726.85. It was ahead more than two points ahead of the closing of trading, pulled back to a loss of more than a point, rebounded to a six-point gain and then was hesitant toward the close. Gains closed with a lead over declines of 639 to 626. Volume totalled 13,820,000 compared with 11,700,000 on Monday.

Analysts called the gain the result of careful portfolio adjustments after severe recent losses. They added there was little in the way of background to account for the advance or to generate any strong buying behind it.—A.D.D.J.

NY silver down 13c

New York, Aug 20.—COMEX SILVER prices fell 13 cents to 52.87 1/2 at closing from the low bid eventually reached of 53.00. The futures market was down 12.50 to 53.50 at the start of trading. Silver futures were down 13 cents to 52.87 1/2 at closing from the low bid eventually reached of 53.00.

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Sign change

Exchanges were steadier particularly in commodity markets...

Money funds for investment market

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Position sterling

Market rates Sterling 100/100 100/100...

Interest Levels

1 month 12.00% 3 months 12.50%...

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Commodity Market

Oil Minimum Leading Rate 11.5%...

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Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Table with multiple columns listing various financial units, insurance policies, and offshore funds with their respective values and details.

Appointments Vacant also on page 16

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

University of Southampton SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN OCCUPATIONAL SOCIOLOGY

The University of Manchester LECTURER IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON IMPERIAL COLLEGE Department of Mechanical Engineering RESEARCH STUDENTSHIPS

University of Melbourne LECTURESHIP (LIMITED TENURE) IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURVEYING

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General recovery

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AUSTIN—On 15th August, to Virginia and Richard, a daughter, Emma.

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ROBERTS—On August 20th, to Mrs. J. Roberts, a daughter, Philippa.

BIRTHS

WELCH—Starry-eyed and laughing little crock on 19th August...

MARRIAGES

FAVOUR—On July 27th, at St. Andrew's Church, a son, Alexander.

MARRIAGES

WESTON—On August 19th, at St. James' Church, a son, Thomas.

MARRIAGES

BLAKE—On August 19th, at St. Andrew's Church, a son, William.

DEATHS

ARNDT—On 18th August, at St. Andrew's Church, a daughter, Emma.

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BAOGER—On August 17th, at St. Andrew's Church, a son, Alexander.

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BIRLEY—On August 20th, at St. Andrew's Church, a daughter, Emma.

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CLAPHAM—On 19th August, at St. Andrew's Church, a son, Alexander.

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